

General Standard TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) Development for Dumps Creek Russell County, Virginia

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Introduction

Dumps Creek is located in Russell County, Virginia, just northwest of the town of Cleveland. It was placed on the Commonwealth of Virginia's 1994 303(d) List of Impaired Waters because of violations of the general standard (benthic). The impaired stream segment has a length of 3.40 miles, and extends from the Hurricane Fork Confluence to the mouth where Dumps Creek flows into Clinch River at Carbo. This Creek is near the Appalachian Power Plant in Russell County that discharges to Clinch River. The land area of the Dumps Creek Watershed is approximately 20,300 acres, with forest and mining as the primary land uses. Approximate proportions of specific land uses as of 1997 were 71% forest, 14% permitted for mining operations (highly transitional area, including various amounts of forest, active mining, and reclaimed areas depending on the timeframe considered), 4% benches (abandoned surface mine sites leaving exposed high walls), 4% spoils/talings (mine waste discarded in fills, ponds, or piles), 3% reclaimed mine lands, 1% disturbed lands (areas disturbed by previous mining operations through removal of vegetation and/or grading), 1% agriculture, 1% water/wetlands and 1% urban/industrial development.

General Standard (Benthic) Impairment

An assessment of the benthic macroinvertebrate community was conducted by VADEQ. The results of this study led to Dumps Creek being placed on the Commonwealth of Virginia's 1994 303(d) List of Impaired Waters for not supporting the state's aquatic life use. The applicable state standard (Virginia State Law 9VAC25-260-20) specifies that all state waters shall be free of substances, which are inimical or harmful to aquatic life. The Rapid Bioassessment Protocol II (RBP) was used to assess compliance with state law.

The General Standard does not identify the stressor(s) -e.g. pollutant(s)- that are harmful to aquatic life. A portion of this study included continuing the work begun during development of the Black Creek TMDL to identify stressors and their relationship to aquatic life as measured by the RBP. A multiparameter statistical analysis was conducted to determine the primary stressors and their mathematical relationship. This analysis identified eleven stressors (*i.e.*, pH, acidity, alkalinity, dissolved solids, total suspended solids, dissolved and total iron, dissolved and total manganese, sulfate, and specific conductivity) potentially impacting the health of the aquatic community. The mathematical relationships allowed for the allocations to be applied to the stressors while maintaining the aquatic life measures as the endpoint.

Sources of the Impairment

Potential sources contributing to the impairment include both nonpoint source contributions and point sources. The primary nonpoint source in the Dumps Creek watershed is abandoned mine lands (AML), which include, mine spoils, benches, and disturbed areas. There are currently 74 permitted point discharges in the Dumps Creek drainage area. These include both sedimentation basins, used to control losses from surface mining disturbances and deep mine discharges.

Water Quality Modeling

The US Geological Survey (USGS) Hydrologic Simulation Program - Fortran (HSPF) water quality model was selected as the modeling framework to simulate hydrologic and water quality conditions. Seasonal variations in hydrology, climatic conditions, and watershed activities were explicitly accounted for in the model.

Discrete flow measurements made as a requirement of mining permits were used to calibrate hydrologic flows for the Dumps Creek watershed in the HSPF model, thereby improving confidence in computed discharges generated by the model. The representative hydrologic period used for calibration ran from January 1995 through May 1997. The time period covered by calibration represented the hydrologic regime of the study area, accounting for critical conditions associated with all potential sources within the watershed. For purposes of modeling watershed inputs to in-stream water quality, the Dumps Creek drainage area was divided into 17 subwatersheds. The model was calibrated for water quality predictions using data collected January 1995 through May 1997. All allocation model runs were conducted using precipitation data from January 1995 through May 1997.

Biometric Modeling

Linked to the HSPF water quality model were the seven biometric models and the RBP calculator producing a continuous modeled bioassessment. As with the hydrologic and water quality modeling, seasonal variations were explicitly accounted for in the model. The biometric models were validated using data from samples collected in January/February 2002, and analyzed by Summit Engineering Incorporated and Environmental Services Consulting, LLC, in support of this study.

Existing Loadings and Water Quality Conditions

Both point and nonpoint sources were represented in the model. Permitted point sources during the modeled period included discharges of runoff through control structures, as well as discharges from deep mines. The runoff-controlling point sources were each modeled with appropriate characteristics to model the sediment trapping capacity of the structure. Deep mine discharges were modeled by adding a time series of pollutant and flow inputs to the stream. Nonpoint sources were modeled as having three potential delivery pathways, delivery with sediment in surface runoff, delivery through interflow, and delivery through groundwater. Much of the data used to develop the model inputs for modeling water quality is time-dependent (e.g. existence of control structures). The hydrologic landscape of the watershed was relatively stable during the modeled period (1995-1997). Data representing this period were used to develop the model used in this study.

Margin of Safety

In order to account for uncertainty in modeled output, a margin of safety (MOS) was incorporated into the TMDL development process. A margin of safety can be incorporated implicitly in the model through the use of conservative estimates of model parameters, or explicitly as an additional load reduction requirement. Individual errors in model inputs, such as data used for developing model parameters or data used for

calibration, may affect the load allocations in a positive or a negative way. The purpose of the MOS is to avoid an overall bias toward load allocations that are too large for meeting the water quality target. An explicit MOS was used in the development of this TMDL. The endpoint for the TMDL was an average modeled bioassessment score of 85%, which is 6% greater than the 79% score needed for achieving non-impaired status.

Load Allocation Scenarios

The next step in the TMDL process was to adjust loadings to account for permitted discharges that would impact allocation scenarios, and determine how to proceed from existing watershed conditions to reduce the various source loads to levels that would result in attainment of the water quality standards. Scenarios were evaluated to predict the effects of different combinations of source reductions on final in-stream water quality. Modeling of these scenarios provided predictions of whether the reductions would achieve the target of an average bioassessment score for the modeled period of 85% or greater. Allocations were developed for the assessment station used to list Dumps Creek; the outlet of subwatershed DC-6 on Dumps Creek, above the confluence with Chaney Creek. The final load allocation scenario required:

- ◆ 40% reduction in total suspended solids from nonpoint sources, and
- ◆ 34% reduction in total dissolved solids from nonpoint sources.

No reductions to permitted loads were required.

Recommendations for TMDL Implementation

The goal of this TMDL was to develop an allocation plan that will lead to the attainment of water quality standards. Virginia's 1997 Water Quality Monitoring, Information and Restoration Act states in Section 62.1-44.19.7 that the "Board shall develop and implement a plan to achieve fully supporting status for impaired waters". Since this TMDL consists primarily of NPS load allocations originating from mining activities, VADMME will have the lead responsibility for the development of the implementation plan. VADMME and VADEQ will work closely with watershed stakeholders, interested state agencies, and support groups to develop an acceptable implementation plan that will result in meeting the water quality target.

The TMDL developed for the Dumps Creek impairment provides allocation scenarios that will be a starting point for developing implementation strategies. A staged implementation plan is essential to the process of restoring water quality. It is anticipated that the AML reclamation and streambank stabilization will be initial targets of implementation. One way to accelerate reclamation of AML is through remining. The Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy's Division of Mined Land Reclamation, The Nature Conservancy, Virginia Tech/Powell River Project, and U. S. Office of Surface Mining combined resources to develop proposals for incentives that will promote economically viable, environmentally beneficial remining operations that reclaim AML sites. The first stage of the implementation represents preliminary steps in achieving the final allocation. A staged implementation plan is necessarily an iterative process. There is a measure of uncertainty associated with the final allocation

development process. Monitoring performed upon completion of specific implementation milestones can provide insight into the effectiveness of implementation strategies, the need for amending the plan, and/or progress toward the eventual removal of the impairment from the 303(d) list.

Public Participation

During development of the TMDL for the Dumps Creek Watershed, public involvement was encouraged through public meetings. In developing the TMDL, two public meetings were held, involving citizens from all areas of the Dumps Creek Watershed. An introduction of the agencies involved, an overview of the TMDL process and the specific approach to developing the Dumps Creek TMDL were presented at the first of the two public meetings. The first meeting included members of the mining industry, regulatory agency and MapTech personnel. Details of the hydrologic calibration, pollutant sources, water quality modeling and initial results from the biometrics model simulations were presented during the second public meeting, as well as, results of the water quality model, biometrics models and load allocations. Public understanding of and involvement in the TMDL process was encouraged. Input from these meetings was utilized in the development of the TMDL and improved confidence in the allocation scenarios developed.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

EPA's document, *Guidance for Water Quality-Based Decisions: The TMDL Process* (USEPA, 1999) states:

According to Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and EPA water quality planning and management regulations, States are required to identify waters that do not meet or are not expected to meet water quality standards even after technology-based or other required controls are in place. The waterbodies are considered water quality-limited and require TMDLs .

. . . A TMDL, or total maximum daily load, is a tool for implementing State water quality standards and is based on the relationship between pollution sources and in-stream water quality conditions. The TMDL establishes the allowable loadings or other quantifiable parameters for a waterbody and thereby provides the basis for States to establish water quality-based controls. These controls should provide the pollution reduction necessary for a waterbody to meet water quality standards.

According to the 1994 303(d) Total Maximum Daily Load Priority List and Report (VADEQ, 1994), Dumps Creek is listed as impaired. Dumps Creek carries an agency watershed ID of VAS-P08R. Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VADEQ) has identified Dumps Creek as being impaired with regard to the general standard.

The Dumps Creek watershed is located in Russell County, Virginia, northwest of the town of Cleveland (Figure 1.1). The impaired stream segment has a length of 3.40 miles, and extends from the Hurricane Fork Confluence to the mouth where Dumps Creek flows into Clinch River in Carbo, VA. This Creek is near the Appalachian Power Plant in Russell County that discharges to Clinch River. (Figure 1.2). Dumps Creek flows into the Clinch River, which is part of the Tennessee/Big Sandy River Drainage Basin, and drains via the Mississippi River to the Gulf of Mexico. The land area of the Dumps Creek Watershed is approximately 20,300 acres, with forest and mining as the primary land uses (Figure 1.3). Approximate proportions of specific land uses as of 1997 were 71% forest, 14% permitted for mining operations (highly transitional area, including various amounts of forest, active mining, and reclaimed areas depending on the timeframe considered), 4% benches (abandoned surface mine sites leaving exposed high walls), 4% spoils/tailings (mine waste discarded in fills, ponds, or piles), 3% reclaimed mine lands, 1% disturbed lands (areas disturbed by previous mining operations through removal of vegetation and/or grading), 1% agriculture, 1% water/wetlands and 1% urban/industrial development.

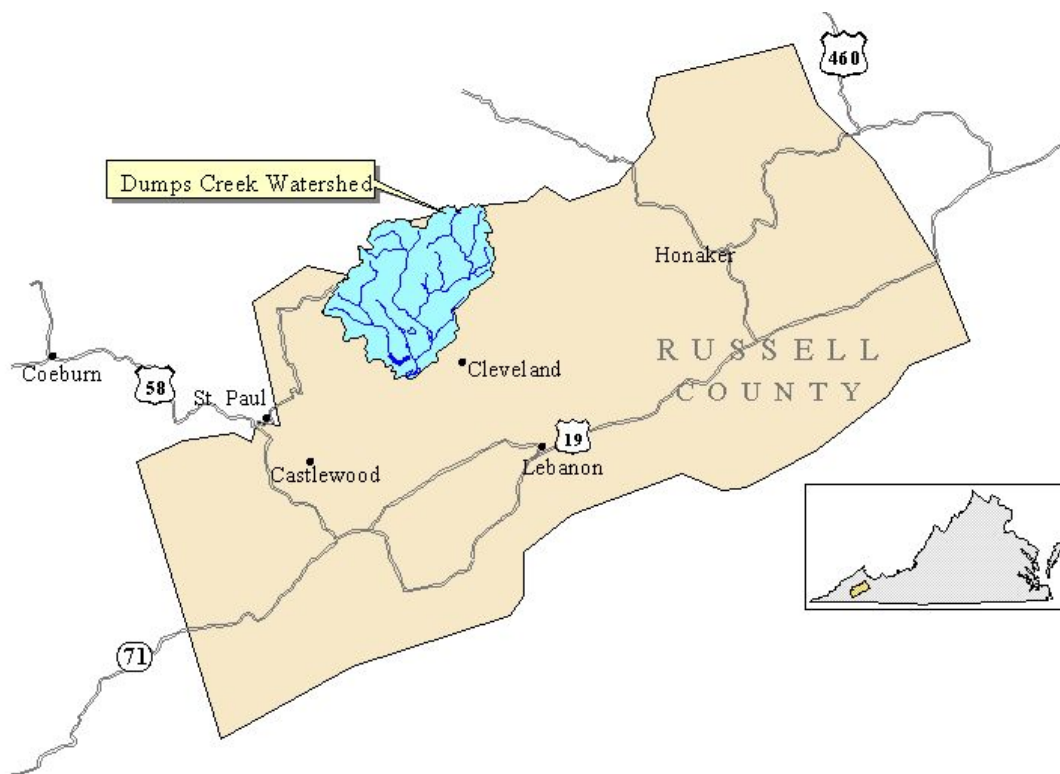


Figure 1.1 Location of the Dumps Creek Watershed.

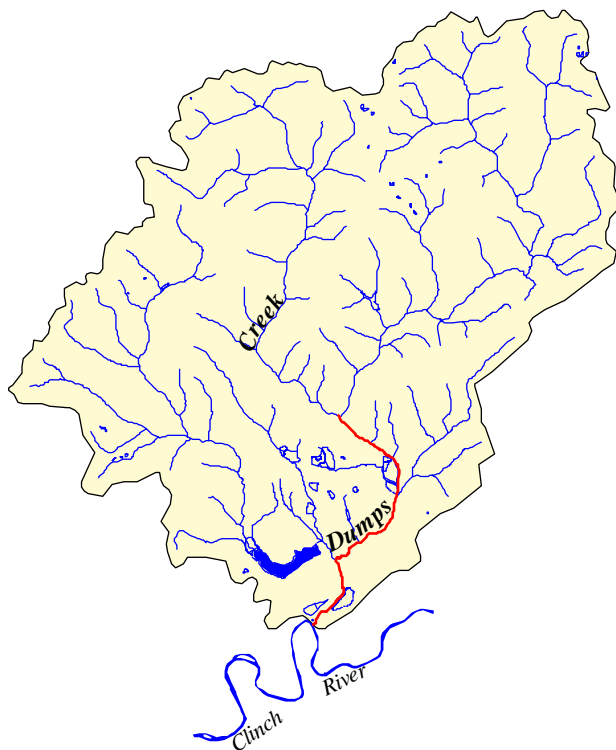


Figure 1.2 Impaired Stream Segment of the Dumps Creek Watershed.

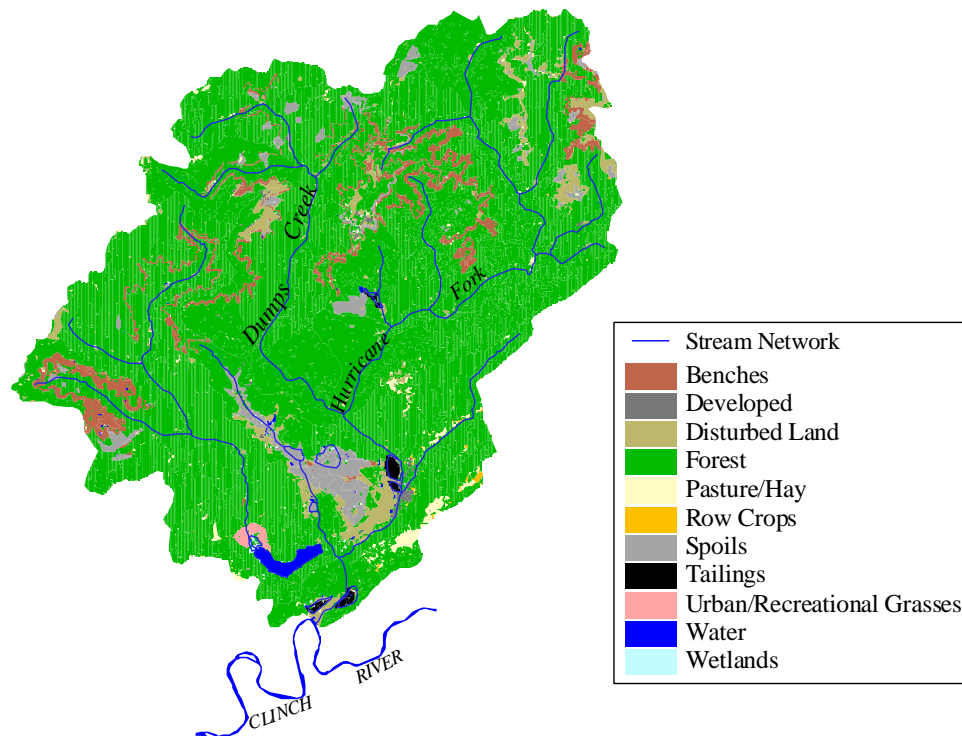


Figure 1.3 Land uses in the Dumps Creek Watershed, 1997.

1.2 Applicable Water Quality Standards

Virginia state law 9VAC25-260-10 (Designation of uses) indicates:

- A. *All state waters, including wetlands, are designated for the following uses: recreational uses, e.g., swimming and boating; the propagation and growth of a balanced, indigenous population of aquatic life, including game fish, which might reasonably be expected to inhabit them; wildlife; and the production of edible and marketable natural resources, e.g., fish and shellfish.*

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- D. *At a minimum, uses are deemed attainable if they can be achieved by the imposition of effluent limits required under §§301(b) and 306 of the Clean Water Act and cost-effective and reasonable best management practices for nonpoint source control.*

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- G. *The [State Water Control] board may remove a designated use which is not an existing use, or establish subcategories of a use, if the board can demonstrate that attaining the designated use is not feasible because:*
 - 1. *Naturally occurring pollutant concentrations prevent the attainment of the use;*

2. *Natural, ephemeral, intermittent or low flow conditions or water levels prevent the attainment of the use unless these conditions may be compensated for by the discharge of sufficient volume of effluent discharges without violating state water conservation requirements to enable uses to be met;*
- ◆
6. *Controls more stringent than those required by §§301(b) and 306 of the Clean Water Act would result in substantial and widespread economic and social impact.*

Additionally, Virginia state law 9VAC25-260-20 defines the **General Standard** as:

- A. *All state waters, including wetlands, shall be free from substances attributable to sewage, industrial waste, or other waste in concentrations, amounts, or combinations which contravene established standards or interfere directly or indirectly with designated uses of such water or which are inimical or harmful to human, animal, plant, or aquatic life.*

1.3 Implementation of the General Standard

The General Standard is implemented by VADEQ through application of the Rapid Bioassessment Protocol II (RBP). Using the RBP, the health of the benthic macroinvertebrate community is typically assessed through measurement of 8 biometrics (Table 1.1), which measure different aspects of the communities overall health. Surveys of the benthic macroinvertebrate community performed by VADEQ are assessed at the family taxonomic level. It is this bioassessment that is the endpoint for general standard impaired TMDLs.

Each biometric measured at a target station is compared to the same biometric measured at a reference (non-impaired) station to determine each biometric score. These scores are then summed and used to determine the overall bioassessment (e.g. non-impaired, moderately impaired, or severely impaired).

Table 1.1 Components of the RBP Assessment

Biometric	Benthic Health ¹
Taxa Richness	↑
Modified Family Biotic Index	↓
Scraper to Filtering Collector Ratio	↑
EPT / Chironomid Ratio	↑
% Contribution of Dominant Family	↓
EPT Index	↑
Community Loss Index	↓
Shredder to Total Ratio	↑

¹ An upward arrow indicates a positive response in benthic health when the associated biometric increases.

1.4 Project Design

There were two distinct elements of the Dumps Creek TMDL project. The first was modification of a model that reflects the standard, considers seasonality and critical conditions, and allows for assessing pollutant allocation scenarios. The second element was implementation of the model to determine an allocation scenario for Dumps Creek.

In developing a TMDL for a narrative standard, it is necessary to establish measurable endpoints for the analysis. In the case of Virginia's General (Benthic) Standard, a relationship between the health of the impaired aquatic community (*i.e.*, benthic macroinvertebrates) and the stressor(s) causing the impairment (e.g. pH) must be defined either implicitly or explicitly. Developing this link or relationship for impairments in Appalachian coalfields was a key component of the Black Creek TMDL. The Black Creek TMDL document can be obtained at the VADEQ office in Richmond, VA. The relationship developed for the Black Creek TMDL was expanded upon in this project and is discussed in greater detail in Section 2.1 and Appendix A. In order to develop the relationship, biological, chemical and physical data were compiled from the Dumps Creek drainage, as well as, from similar areas (Figure 1.4). Data were collected from studies conducted by Virginia Tech (Cherry, et al. 1997), VADEQ, VADMLR, and Appalachian Technology Services (ATS). Multi-parameter statistical analyses were performed on the compiled data set, to identify the primary stressor(s) causing the impairment and to establish a mathematical relationship between stressor levels and the specific biometrics used by VADEQ to measure the health of the benthic community. The result of this task was a set of equations (biometric models) that allows for the calculation of biometrics based on stressor levels that are either modeled or measured prior to use of the biometric models. By combining these biometric models with an existing pollutant loading and delivery model, allocation scenarios were assessed with regard to meeting the standard, while considering seasonality and critical conditions.

The US Geological Survey (USGS) Hydrologic Simulation Program - Fortran (HSPF) water quality model was selected as the modeling framework to simulate hydrologic conditions and stressor levels in Dumps Creek. These output data were then used as inputs to the biometric models. Consequently, time-series output for each of the modeled biometrics was produced at multiple locations in the watershed, including a reference station. A temporal distribution of biometric scores and corresponding bioassessments was then calculated based on the methodology currently used in Virginia. Allocation scenarios that outlined reductions in stressor loads were then run using HSPF and the biometric models to determine if a non-impaired status was attainable with the proposed scenario. In this way, an allocation scenario was developed that will promote recovery of the water body, with consideration for seasonal differences and an array of critical hydrologic conditions.

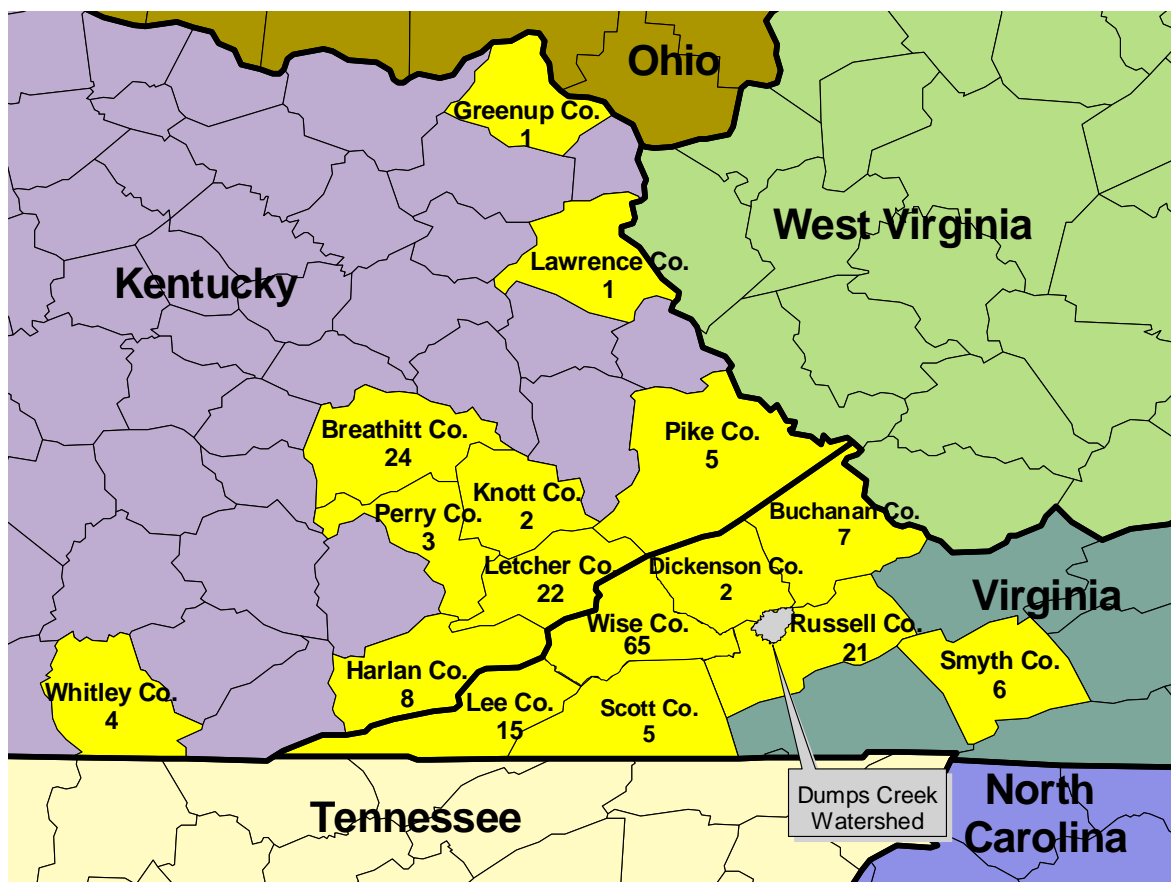


Figure 1.4 Location of data sources used in developing the biometric models.

2. TMDL ENDPOINT AND WATER QUALITY ASSESSMENT

Dumps Creek was initially placed on the Virginia 1994 303(d) list of impaired waters based on monitoring performed on 11/8/90, 10/28/91, 10/15/92 and 11/9/93. Dumps Creek remained on the state's 303(d) list for the 1998 assessment based on continued sampling (*i.e.*, 5/8/95, 12/6/95, 10/8/97, 9/15/98, 11/10/99, and 6/12/00). The monitoring for the assessment was performed by VADEQ, and measured the health of aquatic life through assessment of the eight biometrics discussed in Section 1.3. Surveys of the benthic macroinvertebrate community performed by VADEQ for the 1998 listing indicated that this stream segment partially supports the aquatic life use.

2.1 Development of the TMDL Endpoint

The first step in developing a TMDL is the establishment of measurable in-stream endpoints, which are used to evaluate the attainment of acceptable water quality. In-stream endpoints, therefore, represent the water quality goals that are to be achieved by implementing the load reductions specified in the TMDL. The endpoints for the Dumps Creek impairment were developed based on the criteria used to assess the general standard. Based on these criteria, the “non-impaired” status of the stream was defined as the endpoint for TMDL allocations.

The quantification of the term “non-impaired” required the development of biometric models that link the RBP protocol to stream conditions. This was accomplished by identifying important stressors and developing biometric models that link stressor levels with the specific biometrics used by VADEQ to measure the health of the benthic community. A multi-parameter statistical analysis was conducted using the dataset discussed in Section 1.4 to determine the primary stressors and their mathematical relationship with the seven biometrics used by VADEQ in implementing the RBP on Dumps Creek. The primary stressors causing the impairment were identified as:

- pH
- Acidity
- Alkalinity
- Dissolved & Total Iron
- Dissolved & Total Manganese
- Sulfate
- Total Dissolved Solids
- Total Suspended Solids
- Specific Conductivity

Additionally, the month of sample collection was used as a regressor to improve predictions of some stressors. Specific details on the procedure used to develop the biometric models are given in Appendix A. The biometric model for Taxa Richness is typical of the type relationships that were developed.

$$TR = -13.64 - 0.096(TDS) - 1.86 \ln(DFe) + 1.38 \ln(Alk) + 2.48 \ln(TFe) - 1.21 \ln(TSS) \\ + 8.34 \ln(TDS) - 15.02(DMn)^2 - 0.00020(Alk)^2 - 0.11(TFe)^2 + 0.00017(TDS)^2 - \\ 0.0021(Sulfates)^2 - 0.000012(Cond)^2$$

Where:

TDS = total dissolved solids

DFe = dissolved iron

Alk = alkalinity

TFe = total iron

TSS = total suspended solids

DMn = dissolved manganese

Cond = specific conductivity

The complexity of this model and other biometric models developed for this study reflect the inherent complexity of biological systems. Non-linear responses to stressing agents are not uncommon in these systems. For example, aquatic communities are adversely affected by a low levels of Mn (*i.e.*, a necessary micronutrient), as well as a high Mn levels. In addition, these models reflect the cumulative impact of stressing agents on biological systems.

The Hydrologic Simulation Program FORTRAN (HSPF) was used to simulate a time-series of values for stressors at specified locations in Dumps Creek. The time-series output was used with the seven biometric models to calculate expected biometric values from which bioassessments were calculated and used to provide an estimate of the status of the water body, *i.e.*, severely impaired, moderately impaired or non-impaired. The process is illustrated in Figures 2.1, 2.2, and detailed in Appendix A.

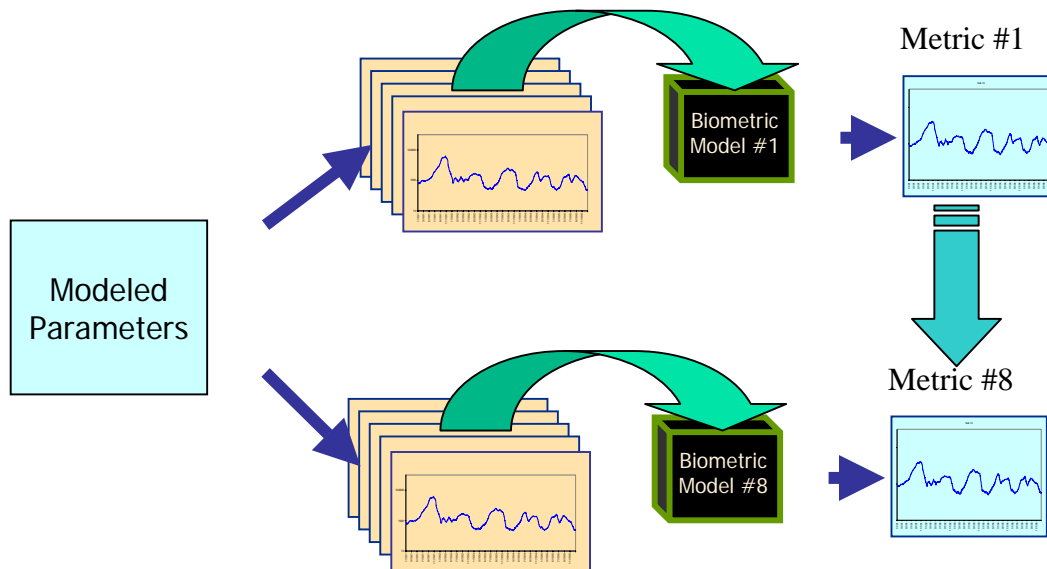


Figure 2.1 Conceptual application of the linkage between the water quality and biometric models.

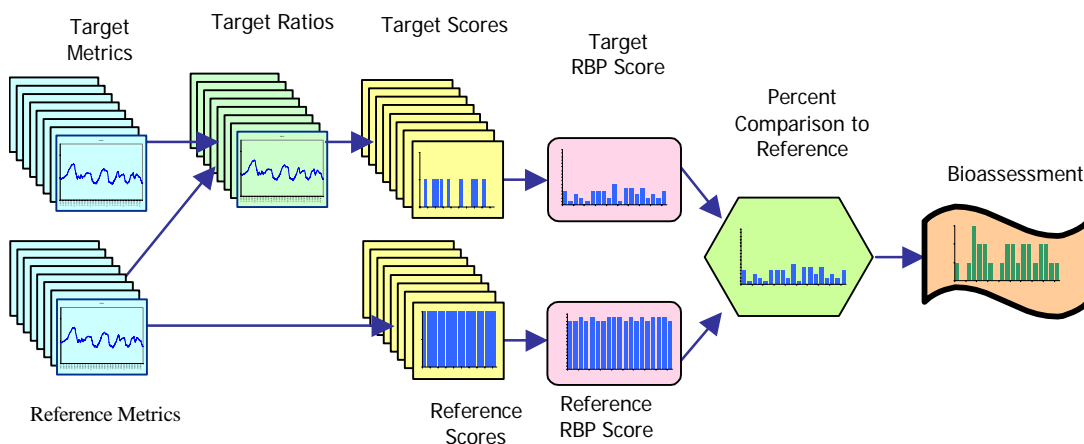


Figure 2.2 Application of the bioassessment protocol.

To further refine the quantification of the RPB endpoint for non-impaired status, an attempt was made to define inherent variability in the process by evaluating bioassessments for VADEQ reference stations located in Virginia coalfields. Although this analysis would not be expected to represent a comprehensive analysis of variability related to biological assessments, it was expected to provide some insight into the range of bioassessments that would be helpful to further refine a criterion for the non-impaired status for Dumps Creek. A total of 61 records were identified in the VADEQ database (Table B.1, Appendix B), representing 35 reference stations, with some stations monitored multiple times. Stations identified as site-specific controls were not included in this analysis. The records were ordered from one to 61 and sequentially one record was chosen as the reference station to assess the remaining 60 records. The resulting bioassessments for 61 comparisons are displayed in Figure 2.3. The average bioassessment for these reference stations was 85%, a non-impaired status, with variability extending almost to severely impaired in one instance. These results suggest that variability among reference station bioassessments is common. They also strongly suggest that basing the endpoint definition on an average bioassessment score of 85% would likely result in a stream status of non-impaired. The endpoint criterion established for allocations was an average daily simulated bioassessment score of 85%.

Dumps Creek has been assessed using six different reference stations, and has been consistently deemed moderately impaired. Since none of the historical reference sites is located in the Dumps Creek Watershed, modeling the reference site was not an applicable approach. As an alternative to modeling the reference station, the average value for each metric observed at the reference stations used for assessing Dumps Creek was used to assess modeled biometrics at the target station in Dumps Creek.

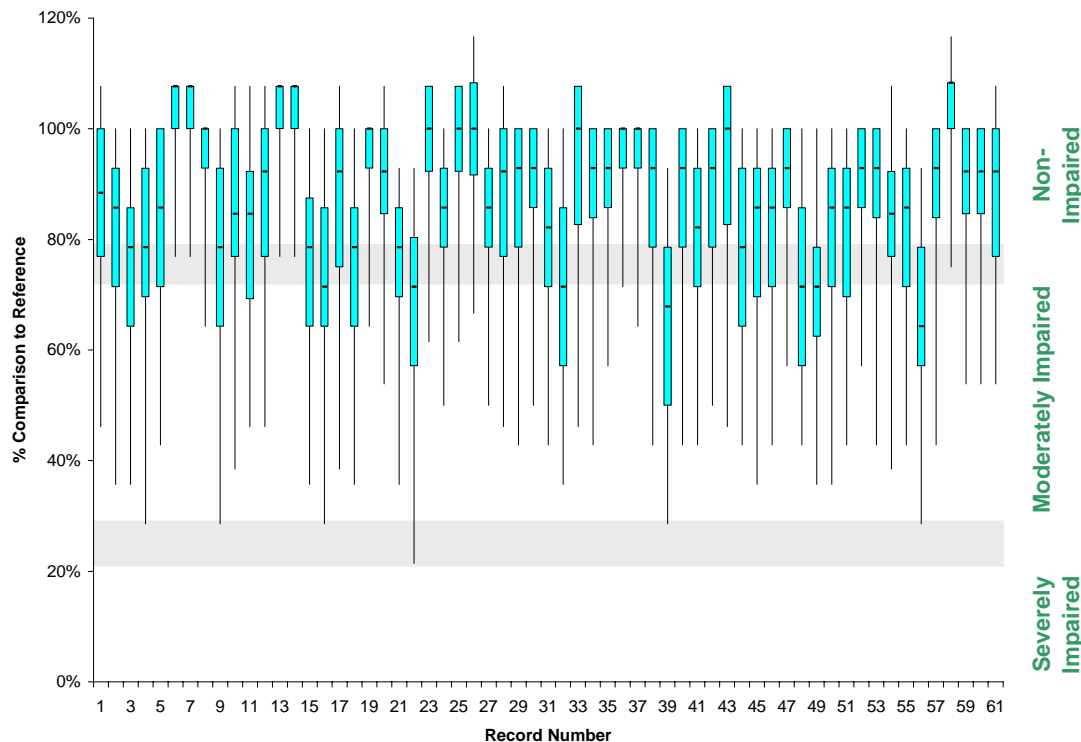


Figure 2.3 Comparison of bioassessment variability in VADEQ established reference stations.

2.2 Selection of a Critical Condition(s)

By its nature, assessment of aquatic health through the RBP reveals the impacts of stressors throughout a variety of hydrologic conditions. As such, modeling performed to assess the effectiveness of allocation scenarios should represent a wide range of typical hydrologic conditions. A time period for modeling was chosen based on the overall distribution of wet and dry seasons (Section 4.5). The resulting time period for modeling allocation scenarios was January 1995 through December 1999.

2.3 Discussion of In-stream Water Quality

This section provides an inventory and analysis of available observed in-stream monitoring data throughout the Dumps Creek Watershed. Sources of data and pertinent results are discussed.

2.3.1 Inventory of Water Quality Monitoring Data

Dumps Creek has been monitored to support mine permit applications, mine permit compliance, assessment by VADEQ, and assessment by VADMLR. The primary sources of available water quality information are:

- Data compiled from mine permit application/compliance monitoring by VADMME
- VADEQ monitoring for assessment of the general quality standard
- VADMLR monitoring to support remediation efforts in Hurricane Fork

2.3.1.1 Mine Permit Application/Compliance Monitoring

Each station included in the VADMME permit-monitoring database has been assigned a unique monitoring point identification (MPID) number. The MPID is up to 7 digits long. A shorter (*i.e.*, up to 2 digit) ID was assigned, by MapTech, to the 53 surface-water monitoring stations located in the Dumps Creek watershed. Figure 2.4 shows the location of surface-water monitoring stations identified by their MapTech ID. Table 2.1 relates the MapTech IDs to MPIDs, as well as permit numbers and mine operator identification. All data reported in this section are identified by the associated MPID.

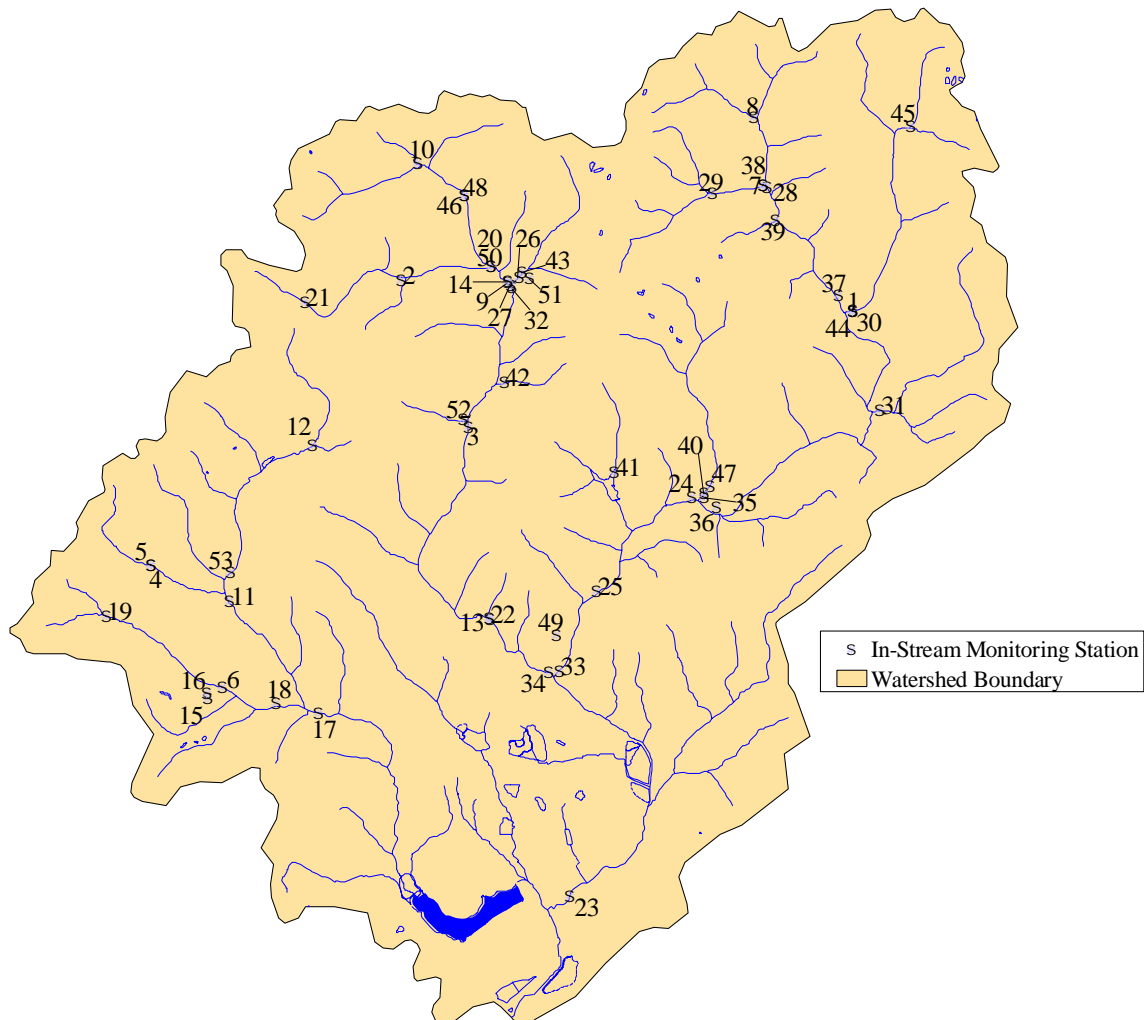


Figure 2.4 Location of in-stream water quality monitoring stations associated with mine permitting processes in the Dumps Creek Watershed.

Table 2.1 Surface-water monitoring stations in the Dumps Creek watershed.

MapTech ID	MPID	Company ID	Permit	Data Record
1	919	SWB-1	1101468	1/1995-9/2000
2	991	CM-1	1101478	1/1995-12/1997
3	992	CM-2	1101478	1/1995-12/1997
4	1192	SWB-5	1101492	1/1995-9/2000
5	1192	BB3-18	1101758	1/1995-9/2000
6	1193	SWB-6	1101492	1/1995-9/2000
7	1582	CM-2	1101516	1/1995-9/2000
8	1583	CM-3	1101516	1/1995-9/2000
9	2621	ISMP-1	1101607	9/1997-9/2000
10	2622	ISMP-2	1101607	9/1997-9/2000
11	3262	SWBL-1	1101681	4/1999-9/2000
12	3263	SWBL-2	1101681	4/1999-9/2000
13	3264	SWBL-3	1101681	4/1999-9/2000
14	3265	SWBL-4	1101681	4/1999-9/2000
15	3923	BB3_3	1101758	No Data
16	3924	BB3_4	1101758	No Data
17	3927	BB3_14	1101758	No Data
18	3928	BB3_15	1101758	No Data
19	3929	BB3_17	1101758	No Data
20	3920062	CM-1	1200363	No Data
21	3920063	CM-2	1200363	No Data
22	3920075	CM-1	1300481	1/1995-9/2000
23	3920076	CM-2	1300481	1/1995-9/2000
24	3920123	CM-1	1201309	No Data
25	3920124	CM-2	1201309	No Data
26	3920130	CM-1	1300860	1/1995-6/1996
27	3920131	CM-2	1300860	1/1995-6/1996
28	3920163	BL-2	1201359	1/1995-12/1996
29	3920164	CM-1	1201359	1/1995-12/1996
30	3920169	SWB-1	1101398	No Data
31	3920170	SWB-2	1101398	No Data
32	3920183	BL-1	1101385	1/95-6/00
33	3920184	BL-2	1101385	1/1995-6/2000
34	3920185	BL-3	1101385	1/1995-6/2000
35	3920186	BL-4	1101385	1/1995-6/2000
36	3920187	BL-5	1101385	1/1995-6/2000
37	3920188	BL-6	1101385	1/1995-6/2000
38	3920189	BL-7	1101385	1/1995-6/2000
39	3920190	BL-8	1101385	1/1995-6/2000
40	3920191	BL-9	1101385	1/1995-6/2000
41	3920192	BL-10	1101385	1/1995-6/2000
42	3920193	BL-11	1101385	1/1995-6/2000
43	3920194	BL-12	1101385	1/1995-6/2000
44	3920224	IS-1	1100988	1/1995-9/2000
45	3920225	IS-2	1100988	1/1995-9/2000
46	5120062	CM-2	1200483	11/1996-9/2000
47	5120133	FM-1	1201132	No Data
48	5120164	FM-2	1201132	No Data
49	5120165	FM-3	1201132	No Data
50	5120166	FM-4	1201132	No Data
51	5120167	FM-5	1201132	No Data
52	5120168	FM-6	1201132	No Data
53	5120169	FM-7	1201132	No Data

Tables 2.2 through 2.35 show summaries of the water quality data collected at each of 37 in-stream monitoring locations in the Dumps Creek Watershed. Sampling was performed by various personnel representing both the coal mining industry and consultants hired by mining companies. Sample timing varied based on the mine permit that the sample was intended to support. Abbreviations used in these tables include: TDS (Total Dissolved Solids), Fe (Total Iron), Mn (Total Manganese), and TSS (Total Suspended Solids). All flow values that contributed to these summaries were estimated.

While it is difficult to draw many conclusions from these data due to differences in sample timing, it appears that there is a difference in the delivery of water quality constituents downstream. Some of the constituents (e.g. sulfate, conductivity, and total dissolved solids) are consistently high throughout the watershed, while others (e.g. acidity, total iron, and total manganese) spike at certain points in the stream and quickly return to lower levels. This suggests that the first group of constituents tends to be conservative once in the stream, while constituents in the second group tend to "decay" upon entering the stream.

Table 2.2 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 919 (1/95—9/00)

MPID 919	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	225.0	100	3000	0	399.4	69	No Trend
PH	7.45	7.4	8.6	6.7	0.49	62	--
FE (mg/L)	0.40	0.2	4	0.1	0.58	59	--
MN (mg/L)	0.10	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.02	35	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	13.4	5	127	2	21.1	62	--
TEMP (°C)	12.5	13	24	1	6.5	61	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0.1	0	6	0	0.8	62	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	83.5	62.5	680	3	107.6	62	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	440.8	370	1560	59	344.4	62	--
TDS (mg/L)	334.9	275	1252	25	280.3	62	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	135.0	103.5	549	7	129.9	62	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, "--": insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, "--" insufficient data

Table 2.3 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 991 (1/95—12/97)

MPID 991	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	412.8	275	2750	4	524.9	36	127.50
PH	7.71	7.8	8.5	6.8	0.40	36	No Trend
FE (mg/L)	1.47	0.1	47.4	0.1	7.88	36	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.11	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.05	36	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	13.4	4	258	1	43.0	36	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	12.6	12	21	6	4.5	36	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	36	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	84.2	90	180	14	30.6	36	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	549.4	550	820	100	133.7	36	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	400.6	433	662	40	127.8	36	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	170.7	160	300	20	67.5	36	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.4 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 992 (1/95—12/97)

MPID 992	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	4081.3	2325	24390	0	4963.7	36	No Trend
PH	7.85	7.8	8.8	7.2	0.48	34	No Trend
FE (mg/L)	0.20	0.1	1.2	0.1	0.25	34	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.13	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.09	34	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	8.9	5	52	1	10.9	34	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	14.4	14	28	5	5.7	34	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	34	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	185.5	60.5	739	24	235.2	34	75.25
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	579.1	440	1450	180	348.8	34	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	372.4	282	1004	118	247.0	34	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	129.3	102.5	675	9	117.8	34	-41.25

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.5 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 1192 (1/95—9/00)

MPID 1192	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	112.2	60	580	15	115.5	69	No Trend
PH	7.55	7.6	8.6	6.5	0.50	69	0.13
FE (mg/L)	0.38	0.2	3.1	0.1	0.52	68	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.11	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.04	38	--
TSS (mg/L)	18.9	7	414	2	52.8	69	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	12.0	12	22	2	5.4	69	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	69	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	115.46	126	377	9	81.7	69	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	434.9	390	1990	70	251.7	69	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	293.2	283	700	56	128.5	69	17.75
SULFATE (mg/L)	82.0	70	241	6	51.7	69	6.90

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.6 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 1193 (1/95—9/00)

MPID 1193	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	170.8	110	800	0	159.1	69	No Trend
PH	7.43	7.4	8.8	6.4	0.55	68	0.17
FE (mg/L)	0.47	0.2	4.5	0.1	0.73	68	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.14	0.1	1.4	0.1	0.20	41	--
TSS (mg/L)	18.8	7	296	4	40.9	68	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	11.8	11	21	2	5.5	68	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	68	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	61.9	33	270	6	68.0	68	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	348.4	310	980	140	165.8	68	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	247.4	228.5	557	89	108.6	68	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	96.0	87.5	237	13	45.6	68	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.7 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 1582 (1/95—9/00)

MPID 1582	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	300.0	6	6000	0	823.6	69	No Trend
PH	7.23	7.2	7.9	6.7	0.27	43	--
FE (mg/L)	0.28	0.1	3.1	0.1	0.50	43	--
MN (mg/L)	0.11	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.04	41	--
TSS (mg/L)	10.2	8	54	1	12.8	43	--
TEMP (°C)	11.9	11	24	3	5.4	43	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	43	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	40.3	37	94	12	19.2	43	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	261.2	270	470	100	83.3	43	--
TDS (mg/L)	190.8	160	610	54	126.4	43	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	87.9	90	230	27	45.7	43	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.8 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 1583 (1/95—9/00)

MPID 1583	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	156.5	0	2850	0	439.9	69	No Trend
PH	7.33	7.4	8.1	7	0.26	25	--
FE (mg/L)	0.19	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.15	25	--
MN (mg/L)	0.15	0.1	1.2	0.1	0.22	25	--
TSS (mg/L)	10.0	6	74	1	16.6	25	--
TEMP (°C)	10.7	10	18	6	3.8	25	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	25	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	53.8	52	86	26	12.5	25	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	487.6	330	4301	170	800.5	25	--
TDS (mg/L)	214.3	198	470	22	109.2	25	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	112.5	110	300	26	65.5	25	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.9 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 2621 (9/97—9/00)

MPID 2621	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	3188	2350	10921	250	2380.4	37	-632.00
PH	8.00	8.1	8.5	7.1	0.40	37	0.20
FE (mg/L)	0.39	0.2	2.3	0.1	0.45	37	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.13	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.09	36	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	20.7	8	160	1	32.8	37	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	15.8	15	25	7	5.6	37	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	6.6	0	245	0	40.3	37	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	418.8	471	828	0	229.7	37	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	1046.8	1100	1700	210	382.7	37	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	631.3	690	1006	68	220.1	37	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	111.6	115	300	3	61.0	37	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.10 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 2622 (9/97—9/00)

MPID 2622	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	236.7	140	1050	0	246.6	37	No Trend
PH	7.42	7.5	7.8	6.4	0.29	36	No Trend
FE (mg/L)	0.48	0.25	4.4	0.1	0.84	36	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.29	0.1	3.9	0.1	0.67	34	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	10.9	5.5	56	1	12.2	36	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	14.1	14	23	5	5.0	36	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	36	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	117.0	116.5	669	19	108.1	36	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	445.6	450	1430	90	246.4	36	30.00
TDS (mg/L)	329.9	313	914	76	166.9	36	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	114.7	127.5	220	21	61.1	36	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.11 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3262 (4/99—9/00)

MPID 3262	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	371.5	275	1200	7	381.9	18	--
PH	7.55	7.45	8.1	7	0.35	18	--
FE (mg/L)	0.53	0.45	1.3	0.1	0.36	18	--
MN (mg/L)	0.63	0.1	3.9	0.1	1.03	16	--
TSS (mg/L)	25.7	16	80	1	22.2	18	--
TEMP (°C)	15.4	15.5	24	3	5.8	18	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	17	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	131.8	96	300	59	78.4	17	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	432.3	340	880	270	190.2	18	--
TDS (mg/L)	281.7	218	1048	106	213.2	18	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	107.9	77.5	525	27	115.1	18	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.12 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3263 (4/99—9/00)

MPID 3263	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	96.9	83.5	300	4	83.4	18	--
PH	7.47	7.45	7.8	7.2	0.16	18	--
FE (mg/L)	0.63	0.45	2.3	0.1	0.61	18	--
MN (mg/L)	0.4	0.1	4	0	1.0	17	--
TSS (mg/L)	21.6	17	120	1	27.4	18	--
TEMP (°C)	14.8	14	25	4	6.1	18	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	18	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	79.3	70	192	35	38.1	18	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	398.9	340	900	234	192.5	18	--
TDS (mg/L)	250.3	211	1002	64	201.9	18	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	127.6	102.5	600	36	124.5	18	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.13 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3264 (4/99—9/00)

MPID 3264	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	3090.9	3098	4711	835	1020	18	--
PH	8.27	8.3	8.6	7.6	0.33	18	--
FE (mg/L)	0.35	0.3	1.2	0.1	0.31	18	--
MN (mg/L)	0.11	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.05	16	--
TSS (mg/L)	12.2	6	60	1	17.0	18	--
TEMP (°C)	15	15	24	4	6.0	18	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	18	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	331.7	351.5	563	97	167.7	18	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	1235.6	995	6624	112	1382.5	18	--
TDS (mg/L)	560.8	562	890	224	197.5	18	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	134.3	101	500	12	123.9	18	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.14 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3265 (4/99—9/00)

MPID 3265	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	1987.2	2084	3091	220	845.5	18	--
PH	8.17	8.15	8.5	7.6	0.29	18	--
FE (mg/L)	0.43	0.3	2.1	0.1	0.51	18	--
MN (mg/L)	0.12	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.05	16	--
TSS (mg/L)	17.4	9	96	1	25.7	18	--
TEMP (°C)	16.3	16	24	7	5.3	18	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	18	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	388.8	395.5	579	99	150.1	18	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	1085.6	1150	1400	635	264.1	18	--
TDS (mg/L)	605.2	633	857	68	192.7	18	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	109.1	112	300	23	56.8	18	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.15 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920075 (1/95—9/00)

MPID 3920075	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	6758.8	3000	80000	40	12668.6	69	No Trend
PH	7.78	7.9	8.5	6.5	0.51	69	0.12
FE (mg/L)	0.36	0.2	2.7	0.1	0.43	66	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	39	--
TSS (mg/L)	12.5	6	140	2	19.7	69	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	13.1	14	24	2	6.2	65	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	69	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	251.6	166	710	33	202.9	69	43.00
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	628.2	540	1580	48	351.2	69	102.50
TDS (mg/L)	421.9	352	911	27	228.2	69	54.67
SULFATE (mg/L)	82.4	73	205	16	41.5	69	12.50

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.16 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920076 (1/95—9/00)

MPID 3920076	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	7073.8	3000	80000	40	12867.4	69	No Trend
PH	7.76	7.9	8.5	6.6	0.50	69	0.20
FE (mg/L)	0.38	0.2	2.7	0.1	0.46	66	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	41	--
TSS (mg/L)	12.8	6	164	2	22.3	69	-0.67
TEMP (°C)	13.2	15	24	2	6.3	65	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	69	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	244.1	149	714	33	194.6	69	49.00
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	629.7	520	1470	180	333.5	69	97.50
TDS (mg/L)	414.8	358	915	116	217.1	69	54.00
SULFATE (mg/L)	80.8	67	230	11	43.2	69	5.50

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.17 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920130 (1/95—6/96)

MPID 3920130	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	224.8	200	550	0	150.8	18	--
PH	7.28	7.1	8	6.6	0.47	17	--
FE (mg/L)	0.31	0.2	1	0.1	0.26	15	--
MN (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	2	--
TSS (mg/L)	12.1	7	64	4	14.6	17	--
TEMP (°C)	11.9	11	21	5	5.6	17	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	17	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	87.2	84	174	28	40.7	17	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	450.6	460	710	260	122.4	17	--
TDS (mg/L)	343.5	313	572	183	130.6	17	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	119.1	82	349	35	100.8	17	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.18 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920131 (1/95—6/96)

MPID 3920131	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	100.2	100	300	0	78.9	18	--
PH	7.29	7.1	8.1	6.7	0.48	17	--
FE (mg/L)	0.37	0.2	2.4	0.1	0.56	17	--
MN (mg/L)	0.13	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.05	4	--
TSS (mg/L)	15.2	9	101	4	22.8	17	--
TEMP (°C)	11.6	11	20	4	5.7	17	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	17	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	86.9	85	349	22	78.5	17	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	406.5	390	840	160	163.7	17	--
TDS (mg/L)	277.4	253	537	104	117.8	17	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	92.4	63	394	29	83.8	17	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.19 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920163 (1/95—12/96)

MPID 3920163	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	111	8	1250	0	264.3	23	--
PH	7.53	7.65	8.1	6.8	0.43	12	--
FE (mg/L)	0.41	0.1	3.5	0.1	0.98	12	--
MN (mg/L)	0.11	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.03	12	--
TSS (mg/L)	11.5	7	50	1	14.7	12	--
TEMP (°C)	13	12	22	3	6.0	12	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	12	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	62.2	40	153	15	47.2	12	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	290	245	560	160	127.9	12	--
TDS (mg/L)	209.8	166	460	112	118.3	12	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	121.8	85	280	33	84.5	12	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.20 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920164 (1/95—12/96)

MPID 3920164	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	47.3	0	580	0	126.3	23	--
PH	7.28	7.4	7.7	6.6	0.32	9	--
FE (mg/L)	0.18	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.11	9	--
MN (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	9	--
TSS (mg/L)	11.1	12	22	1	9.2	9	--
TEMP (°C)	11.1	10	21	4	5.3	9	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	9	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	43.4	33	93	20	28.8	9	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	205.6	210	290	110	54.6	9	--
TDS (mg/L)	131.6	126	194	54	42.1	9	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	105.9	80	340	40	93.3	9	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.21 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920183 (8/98—6/00)

MPID 3920183	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	3023.5	2238.5	17000	30	2841.3	66	No Trend
PH	7.90	8	8.8	7.1	0.42	66	0.02
FE (mg/L)	0.23	0.1	1.3	0.1	0.22	66	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.12	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.07	66	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	16.3	7	160	1	30.0	66	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	15.0	14	25	5	5.8	66	0.37
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	66	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	291.0	182.5	828	23	247.5	66	79.00
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	788.2	647.5	1700	210	430.8	66	172.50
TDS (mg/L)	480.2	388	1006	68	248.9	66	79.90
SULFATE (mg/L)	122.3	115	505	3	74.3	66	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.22 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920184 (1/95—6/00)

MPID 3920184	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	4568.1	2875	27670	50	5104.5	66	No Trend
PH	7.79	7.8	8.8	7	0.43	66	No Trend
FE (mg/L)	0.22	0.1	1.8	0.1	0.28	66	0
MN (mg/L)	0.13	0.1	1	0.1	0.14	66	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	8.6	6	40	1	8.7	66	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	13.8	13	25	3	6.5	66	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	66	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	144.515	106.5	740	21	141.8	66	8.50
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	455.5	400	1300	200	23831	66	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	308.4	281	956	14	165.4	66	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	118.0	115	500	9	68.2	66	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.23 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920185 (1/95—6/00)

MPID 3920185	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	5078.4	3741.5	24390	0	4833.3	66	463.13
PH	7.99	8	8.8	7.1	0.45	64	0.16
FE (mg/L)	0.39	0.1	6.7	0.1	1.03	64	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.12	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.06	64	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	11.2	6	190	1	24.4	64	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	14.3	13.5	25	4	6.1	64	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	64	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	244.9	145.5	739	22	221.3	64	50.88
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	665.8	487.5	1600	180	392.1	64	148.75
TDS (mg/L)	418.1	314	1006	106	262.4	64	66.70
SULFATE (mg/L)	118.3	105	500	9	76.7	64	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.24 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920186 (8/98—6/00)

MPID 3920186	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	1880.2	769.5	7650	0	2181.0	66	162.04
PH	7.65	7.6	8.5	7	0.38	63	-0.13
FE (mg/L)	0.42	0.1	8.8	0.1	1.17	63	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.15	0.1	1.7	0.1	0.22	63	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	9.9	4	116	1	16.9	63	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	13.8	13	27	3	6.8	63	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	63	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	98.4	69	645	17	97.0	63	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	430.3	380	1260	100	194.5	63	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	317.7	278	830	38	170.5	63	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	133.9	120	550	5	82.2	63	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.25 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920187 (8/98—6/00)

MPID 3920187	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	1613.0	700.5	7100	0	1917.6	66	No Trend
PH	7.60	7.5	8.5	6.9	0.40	62	No Trend
FE (mg/L)	0.24	0.1	2.3	0.1	0.33	62	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.14	0.1	1.7	0.1	0.21	62	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	10.2	5	68	1	14.1	62	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	14.0	12.5	27	3	6.5	62	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	61	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	85.7	58	697	14	102.5	61	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	429.9	395	1250	190	205.1	62	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	331.2	269	912	112	194.5	62	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	143.4	135	640	11	87.2	62	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.26 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920188 (8/98—6/00)

MPID 3920188	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	1013.51	157.5	12000	0	2238.6	66	-7.63
PH	7.49	7.4	8.5	6.5	0.45	52	No Trend
FE (mg/L)	0.19	0.1	0.8	0.1	0.16	52	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.11	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.04	52	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	9.2	4	116	1	17.2	52	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	13.0	13.5	24	3	5.6	52	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	52	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	78.8	51.5	337	15	68.2	52	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	351.25	300	970	160	171.0	52	-34.00
TDS (mg/L)	275.7	215	1522	64	220.1	52	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	122.7	102.5	325	15	70.6	52	-13.75

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.27 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920189(1/95—6/00)

MPID 3920189	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	1020.3	59	11750	0	2273.6	66	No Trend
PH	7.39	7.3	8.7	6.7	0.47	47	--
FE (mg/L)	0.26	0.1	3.1	0.1	0.48	47	--
MN (mg/L)	0.12	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.04	47	--
TSS (mg/L)	10.7	8	36	1	10.0	47	--
TEMP (°C)	12.4	11	24	3	5.8	47	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	47	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	70.7	43	577	15	105.2	47	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	329.1	275	1240	190	196.1	47	--
TDS (mg/L)	238.7	184	818	52	173.2	47	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	91.0	90	225	23	37.9	47	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.28 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920190 (1/95—6/00)

MPID 3920190	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	430.2	11.5	5400	0	1154.0	66	-10.00
PH	7.32	7.2	8.1	6.6	0.41	36	No Trend
FE (mg/L)	0.39	0.1	8.4	0.1	1.38	36	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.18	0.1	2.9	0.1	0.47	36	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	10.9	4	130	1	22.9	36	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	11.7	10	22	3	5.0	36	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	36	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	49.0	36	422	10	67.1	36	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	259.2	250	1000	100	152.0	36	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	191.2	155	644	14	142.4	36	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	95.4	90	275	27	55.4	36	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.29 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920191 (1/95—6/00)

MPID 3920191	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	218.4	78	1445	0	324.7	66	No Trend
PH	7.5	7.4	8.4	6.8	0.35314	52	--
FE (mg/L)	0.32	0.1	3.4	0.1	0.59	52	--
MN (mg/L)	0.17	0.1	3	0.1	0.41	52	--
TSS (mg/L)	9.6	4	92	1	16.1	52	--
TEMP (°C)	12.5	11	24	3	6.0	52	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	51	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	71.4	65	372	13	51.6	51	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	381.3	350	1230	100	172.4	52	--
TDS (mg/L)	284.0	241	1044	20	174.8	52	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	131.3	120	300	25	54.0	52	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.30 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920192 (1/95—6/00)

MPID 3920192	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	62.0	20	900	0	122.7	66	No Trend
PH	7.53	7.5	8.7	6.8	0.39	51	-0.10
FE (mg/L)	0.20	0.1	1.1	0.1	0.20	51	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.13	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.08	51	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	8.4	4	38	1	9.8	51	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	13.1	13	24	4	5.4	51	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	51	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	103.2	65	461	15	92.4	51	-8.00
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	399.7	360	810	160	153.5	51	-41.00
TDS (mg/L)	291.7	236	860	42	170.3	51	-26.00
SULFATE (mg/L)	122.9	110	400	17	64.1	51	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.31 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920193 (1/95—6/00)

MPID 3920193	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	526.3	69	7000	0	1342.3	66	No Trend
PH	7.61	7.6	9	6.4	0.46	58	No Trend
FE (mg/L)	0.27	0.15	1.8	0.1	0.32	58	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.11	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.05	58	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	11.9	6	108	1	19.1	58	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	13.4	11.5	24	3	6.2	58	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	58	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	113.9	82.5	746	23	123.6	58	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	538.6	520	1260	150	233.0	58	45.00
TDS (mg/L)	367.9	334	1076	42	188.8	58	24.75
SULFATE (mg/L)	164.0	175	450	22	80.3	58	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.32 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920194 (1/95—6/00)

MPID 3920194	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	292.0	62.5	4500	0	624.0	66	-21.25
PH	7.48	7.4	8.1	6.4	0.32	52	No Trend
FE (mg/L)	0.31	0.2	3.1	0.1	0.45	52	0.07
MN (mg/L)	0.11	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.04	52	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	16.6	6	118	1	26.0	52	2.00
TEMP (°C)	14.0	13.5	25	4	5.5	52	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	52	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	68.7	58	222	24	37.4	52	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	412.9	410	640	220	96.3	52	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	293.3	286	880	28	148.3	52	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	155.9	147.5	480	39	80.5	52	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.33 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920224 (1/95—9/00)

MPID 3920224	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	440.9	300	6000	10	752.3	69	No Trend
PH	7.48	7.5	8.6	6.6	0.50	69	No Trend
FE (mg/L)	0.38	0.3	3.5	0.1	0.46	67	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.10	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.02	43	--
TSS (mg/L)	11.5	6	143	2	19.1	69	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	12.5	13	23	1	6.3	68	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	69	No Trend
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	89.2	58	655	6	119.3	69	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	444.7	370	1470	60	308.0	69	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	331.9	268	1090	4	244.5	69	30.00
SULFATE (mg/L)	131.1	93	545	10	111.8	69	14.50

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.34 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 3920225 (1/95—9/00)

MPID 3920225	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	225	100	3000	0	399.4	69	No Trend
PH	7.45	7.4	8.6	6.7	0.48	62	--
FE (mg/L)	0.40	0.2	4	0.1	0.58	59	--
MN (mg/L)	0.10	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.02	35	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	13.4	5	127	2	21.1	62	--
TEMP (°C)	12.5	13	24	1	6.5	61	--
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0.1	0	6	0	0.8	62	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	83.5	62.5	680	3	107.6	62	--
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	440.8	370	1560	59	344.4	62	--
TDS (mg/L)	335.0	275	1252	25	280.3	62	--
SULFATE (mg/L)	135.0	103.5	549	7	130.0	62	--

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

Table 2.35 In-stream Water Quality Data for MPID 5120062 (11/96—9/00)

MPID 5120062	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²	Trend³
FLOW (gpm)	2378.2	2400	8000	150	1669.3	47	No Trend
PH	7.74	7.8	8.6	6.8	0.50	47	0.25
FE (mg/L)	0.46	0.3	5.2	0.1	0.75	46	No Trend
MN (mg/L)	0.10	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.02	40	No Trend
TSS (mg/L)	11.7	6	108	2	16.4	47	No Trend
TEMP (°C)	12.6	13	21	1	5.4	47	No Trend
ACIDITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	0	0	0	0	0	47	--
ALKALINITY (mg/L CaCO ₃)	284.4	235	797	14	239.6	47	No Trend
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	729.3	690	1520	100	431.3	47	No Trend
TDS (mg/L)	507.7	461	1606	69	324.0	47	No Trend
SULFATE (mg/L)	102.3	82	328	15	73.1	47	No Trend

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements, “—”: insufficient data ³A number in the significant trend column represents the Seasonal-Kendall estimated slope, “—” insufficient data

2.3.1.2 Biological Monitoring Conducted by VADEQ

Biological monitoring was conducted by VADEQ at two locations on Dumps Creek (Figure 2.5). Benthic macroinvertebrate sampling was performed on 10 dates between 11/8/90 and 6/12/00 (Tables 2.36 – 2.45). On two dates (*i.e.*, 12/6/95 and 5/8/95), sampling was reported as being conducted at river mile DUM111.11. This was a typographical error. These samples were collected very close to DUM001.09. All assessments resulted in a moderately impaired status, but bioassessment scores ranged from 29% to 75%. This broad range of bioassessment scores reflects variability in both Dumps Creek and in the reference stations used to assess Dumps Creek.

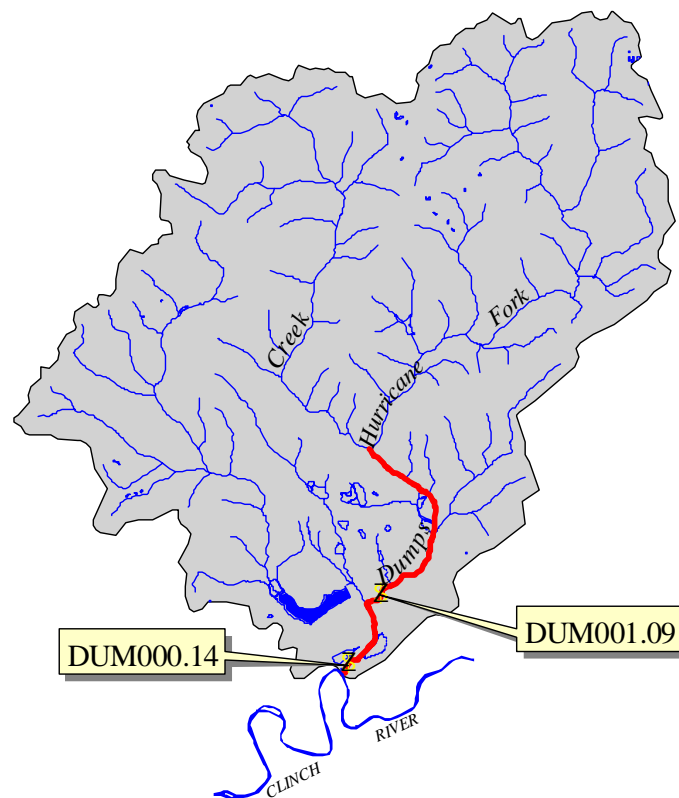


Figure 2.5 Benthic Macroinvertebrate sampling conducted by VADEQ

Table 2.36 Biological monitoring conducted by VADEQ on 6/12/00

Examined Sample: DUM001.09 – Dumps Creek

Reference Sample: DIS017.94 – Dismal Creek 6/8/00

Metrics ¹	Value		Ratio	Scores	
	Reference	Target		Reference	Target
TR	11	7	0.640	6	3
MFBI	4.87	5.79	0.840	6	3
SCR/FC	0.53	0.08	0.150	6	0
EPT/C	2.474	0.636	0.257	6	3
% DT	26.3	55.6	N/A	6	0
EPTI	5	2	0.400	6	0
CLI	0.000	0.857	N/A	6	3
SHR/T	0.000	0.000	-	0	0
Total Score				42	12
% Comp to Reference					29.0%
Biological Condition					MI

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio, EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, CLI: Community Loss Index

²NI: not impaired, SI: severely impaired, MI: moderately impaired

n/a=not applicable

Table 2.37 Biological monitoring conducted by VADEQ on 11/10/99

Examined Sample: DUM001.09 – Dumps Creek

Reference Sample: PLL006.50 - S.F. Powell 9/8/99

Metrics ¹	Value		Ratio	Scores	
	Reference	Target		Reference	Target
TR	13	9	0.690	6	3
MFBI	4.08	5.28	0.770	6	3
SCR/FC	14.40	0.83	0.060	6	0
EPT/C	2.900	0.457	0.158	6	0
% DT	33.0	45.1	N/A	3	3
EPTI	7	3	0.430	6	0
CLI	0.000	1.000	N/A	6	3
SHR/T	0.000	0.069	-	0	0
Total Score				39	12
% Comp to Reference					31.0%
Biological Condition					MI

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio, EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, CLI: Community Loss Index

²NI: not impaired, SI: severely impaired, MI: moderately impaired

n/a=not applicable

Table 2.38 Biological monitoring conducted by VADEQ on 9/15/98

Examined Sample: DUM001.09 – Dumps Creek

Reference Sample: PLL006.50 - S.F. Powell 8/31/98

Metrics ¹	Value		Ratio	Scores	
	Reference	Target		Reference	Target
TR	17	10	0.590	6	3
MFBI	4.06	4.70	0.860	6	6
SCR/FC	1.81	0.68	0.380	6	3
EPT/C	3.938	8.429	2.140	6	6
% DT	16.0	29.5	N/A	6	6
EPTI	7	3	0.430	6	0
CLI	0.000	0.900	N/A	6	3
SHR/T	0.017	0.000	-	6	0
Total Score				48	27
% Comp to Reference					56.0%
Biological Condition					MI

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio, EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, CLI: Community Loss Index

²NI: not impaired, SI: severely impaired, MI: moderately impaired

n/a=not applicable

Table 2.39 Biological monitoring conducted by VADEQ on 10/8/97

Examined Sample: DUM001.09 – Dumps Creek

Reference Sample: PLL002.55 - S.F. Powell 11/20/97

Metrics ¹	Value		Ratio	Scores	
	Reference	Target		Reference	Target
TR	14	9	0.640	6	3
MFBI	4.23	5.13	0.820	6	3
SCR/FC	1.50	0.85	0.570	6	6
EPT/C	4.667	4.333	0.928	6	6
% DT	29.6	41.9	N/A	6	3
EPTI	5	1	0.200	6	0
CLI	0.000	0.556	N/A	6	3
SHR/T	0.014	0.011	-	6	6
Total Score				48	30
% Comp to Reference					63.0%
Biological Condition					MI

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio, EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, CLI: Community Loss Index

²NI: not impaired, SI: severely impaired, MI: moderately impaired

n/a=not applicable

Table 2.40 Biological monitoring conducted by VADEQ on 12/6/95

Examined Sample: DUM111.11 – Dumps Creek

Reference Sample: SNK0001.03 – Sinking Creek 12/14/95

Metrics ¹	Value		Ratio	Scores	
	Reference	Target		Reference	Target
TR	18	10	0.560	6	3
MFBI	4.51	4.25	1.060	6	6
SCR/FC	3.39	2.19	0.650	6	6
EPT/C	4.200	3.400	0.810	6	6
% DT	29.9	19.6	N/A	6	6
EPTI	7	4	0.570	6	0
CLI	0.000	0.900	N/A	6	3
SHR/T	0.065	0.103	-	6	6
Total Score				48	36
% Comp to Reference					75.0%
Biological Condition					MI

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio, EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, CLI: Community Loss Index

²NI: not impaired, SI: severely impaired, MI: moderately impaired

n/a=not applicable

Table 2.41 Biological monitoring conducted by VADEQ on 5/8/95

Examined Sample: DUM111.11 – Dumps Creek

Reference Sample: NFH098.47 – N.F. Holston 4/11/95

Metrics ¹	Value		Ratio	Scores	
	Reference	Target		Reference	Target
TR	17	14	0.820	6	6
MFBI	4.69	5.00	0.940	6	6
SCR/FC	1.08	4.11	3.810	6	6
EPT/C	1.647	0.914	0.555	6	3
% DT	25.7	33.7	N/A	6	3
EPTI	9	6	0.670	6	0
CLI	0.000	0.429	N/A	6	6
SHR/T	0.028	0.000	-	6	0
Total Score				48	30
% Comp to Reference					63.0%
Biological Condition					MI

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio, EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, CLI: Community Loss Index

²NI: not impaired, SI: severely impaired, MI: moderately impaired

n/a=not applicable

Table 2.42 Biological monitoring conducted by VADEQ on 11/9/93

Examined Sample: DUM0.14 – Dumps Creek

Reference Sample: N.F. Holston

Metrics ¹	Value		Ratio	Scores	
	Reference	Target		Reference	Target
TR	13	10	0.769	6	3
MFBI	3.88	5.61	0.692	6	3
SCR/FC	15.67	0.15	0.010	6	0
EPT/C	0.097	0.296	3.052	6	6
% DT	50.0	51.5	N/A	3	0
EPTI	7	2	0.286	6	0
CLI	N/A	0.900	N/A	6	3
SHR/T	0.009	0.062	-	6	6
Total Score				45	21
% Comp to Reference					46.6%
Biological Condition					MI

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio, EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, CLI: Community Loss Index

²NI: not impaired, SI: severely impaired, MI: moderately impaired

n/a=not applicable

Table 2.43 Biological monitoring conducted by VADEQ on 10/15/92

Examined Sample: DUM0.14 – Dumps Creek

Reference Sample: N.F. Holston

Metrics ¹	Value		Ratio	Scores	
	Reference	Target		Reference	Target
TR	15	11	0.733	6	3
MFBI	3.95	6.03	0.655	6	3
SCR/FC	12.09	0.11	0.009	6	0
EPT/C	0.045	0.241	5.356	6	6
% DT	59.4	42.6	N/A	0	3
EPTI	8	4	0.500	6	0
CLI	N/A	0.727	N/A	6	3
SHR/T	0.030	0.028	-	6	6
Total Score				42	24
% Comp to Reference					57.1%
Biological Condition					MI

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio, EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, CLI: Community Loss Index

²NI: not impaired, SI: severely impaired, MI: moderately impaired

n/a=not applicable

Table 2.44 Biological monitoring conducted by VADEQ on 10/28/91

Examined Sample: DUM0.14 – Dumps Creek

Reference Sample: N.F. Holston

Metrics ¹	Value		Ratio	Scores	
	Reference	Target		Reference	Target
TR	14	14	1.000	6	6
MFBI	3.91	5.04	0.776	6	3
SCR/FC	3.15	0.23	0.073	6	0
EPT/C	---	---	---	---	---
% DT	27.1	52.2	N/A	6	0
EPTI	7	6	0.857	6	3
CLI	N/A	0.357	N/A	6	6
SHR/T	0.006	0.026	-	6	6
Total Score				42	24
% Comp to Reference					57.1%
Biological Condition					MI

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio, EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, CLI: Community Loss Index

²NI: not impaired, SI: severely impaired, MI: moderately impaired

n/a=not applicable

Table 2.45 Biological monitoring conducted by VADEQ on 11/8/90

Examined Sample: DUM0.14 – Dumps Creek

Reference Sample: NFH98.47 - N.F. Holston

Metrics ¹	Value		Ratio	Scores	
	Reference	Target		Reference	Target
TR	14	13	0.929	6	6
MFBI	3.95	4.64	0.851	6	6
SCR/FC	4.50	0.85	0.189	6	0
EPT/C	0.86	1.00	1.163	6	6
% DT	22.9	31.7	N/A	6	3
EPTI	10	4	0.400	6	0
CLI	---	---	---	---	---
SHR/T	0.26	0.00	-	6	0
Total Score				48	27
% Comp to Reference					56.3%
Biological Condition					MI

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio, EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, CLI: Community Loss Index

²NI: not impaired, SI: severely impaired, MI: moderately impaired

n/a=not applicable

2.3.1.3 Water Quality Monitoring Conducted by VADMME

The Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy arranged for additional benthic macroinvertebrate samples to be collected by Environmental Services & Consulting, LLC, (ES&C) at ten stations in the Dumps Creek Watershed. Concurrent with sampling of the benthic macroinvertebrate community, water chemistry samples were collected and analyzed by Summit Engineering Incorporated (SEI) for measurement of chemical/physical properties in the water column where the biological samples were collected. The sampling stations were selected to provide an overall view of the watershed (Table 2.46 and Figure 2.7). As reported by ES&C, the samples were collected following the USEPA RBP II (family level) survey. Samples were collected with a square framed dip net with 500-micron mesh. Samples were preserved in 95% ethanol and returned to the lab for analysis. The multi-habitat approach was used to collect a composite sample of the available habitat types within each reach. The samples were sub-sampled 1/8 at a time and all insects were removed to reach a target sample of approximately 300 organisms. All macroinvertebrates and the remaining detritus were preserved in 70% ethanol. Macroinvertebrates were identified to either the lowest practical taxonomic level or family-level, whichever was higher.

Results of monitoring are presented in Tables 2.47 through 2.50. It is impossible to make significant observations based on a single sampling event, however, the measurements made are in general agreement with those presented in Section 2.3.1.1. Because DC-10 had the best habitat score, the sample collected there was used to calculate the community loss index values at the remaining stations. MapTech personnel used the metric data supplied by ES&C to calculate metric scores and corresponding bioassessments (Table 2.48), using DC-10 as a reference site. The overall bioassessment at the target sites is generally higher than assessments developed by VADEQ due to the conditions at DC-10 relative to reference sites used by VADEQ. The water chemistry data shows the highest TSS values at DC-04, DC-06, DC-07, and DC-08. All of these stations are located on Dumps Creek and correspond to some of the lowest bioassessment scores in the watershed.

Table 2.46 DMME water chemistry and biological sampling stations.

Station ID	Description	Chem Date	Bio Date
1	Upstream Hurricane Fork	1/28/02	2/1/02
2	Hurricane above pile	1/28/02	2/2/02
3	Hurricane below pile	1/28/02	2/2/02
4	Dumps above Hurricane Fork	1/28/02	2/2/02
5	Dumps below pond 1101607	1/28/02	2/1/02
6	Dumps Below pond 1101681	1/28/02	2/1/02
7	Above confluence with Chaney Creek	1/28/02	2/1/02
8	Dumps at confluence with Clinch River	1/28/02	2/1/02
9	Chaney Creek downstream	1/28/02	1/31/02
10	Chaney Creek upstream	1/28/02	1/31/02

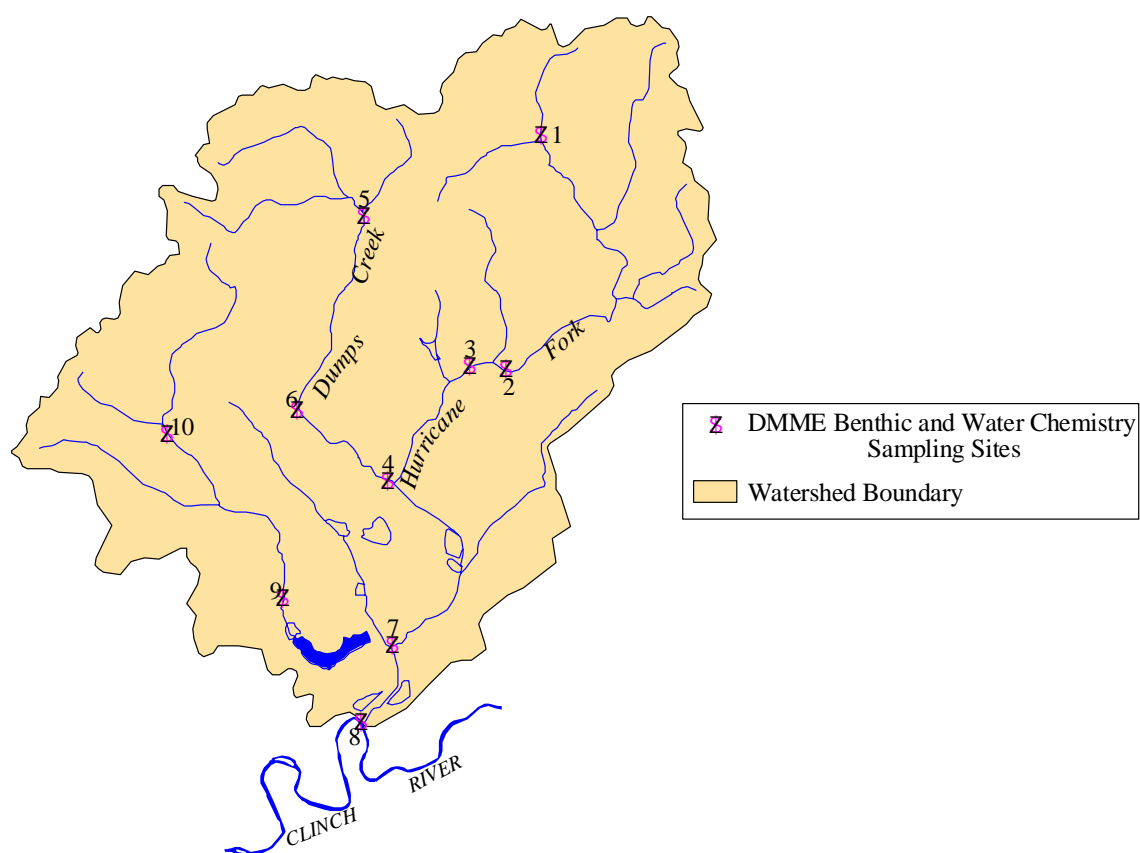
**Figure 2.6 Benthic Macroinvertebrate and Water Chemistry Sampling Conducted by DMME**

Table 2.47 Comparison of Metric Values between Ten Benthic Macroinvertebrate Sample Stations (Samples collected by ES&C, 10/9/ 2001)

Metrics ¹	DC-1	DC-2	DC-3	DC-4	DC-5	DC-6	DC-7	DC-8	DC-9	DC-10
TR	20	22	17	16	16	15	25	23	20	21
MFBI	1.9	5.0	4.7	4.7	5.6	4.4	4.9	5.0	4.7	4.6
SCR/FC	0.125	0.26	0.287	0	0.005	0.032	0.161	0.077	0.060	0.106
EPT/C	4.75	2.702	3.16	3.471	2.015	4.391	1.099	0.408	5.193	5.386
% DT	39.7	30.0	26.0	45.5	45.5	45.5	36.1	51.5	28.1	33.6
EPTI	8	13	11	7	6	8	14	9	11	12
SHR/T	0.336	0.106	0.114	0.044	0.012	0.068	0.072	0.094	0.026	0.282
CLI	0.60	0.318	0.706	0.500	0.563	0.600	0.360	0.478	0.350	0.000

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio,

EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, CLI: Community Loss Index

²ERR: not calculable**Table 2.48 Comparison of Bioassessment Scores with the least impacted station (DC-10), data collected by ES&C.**

Metrics ¹	DC-1	DC-2	DC-3	DC-4	DC-5	DC-6	DC-7	DC-8	DC-9	DC-10
TR	6	6	6	3	3	3	6	6	6	6
MFBI	6	6	6	6	3	6	6	6	6	6
SCR/FC	6	6	6	0	0	3	6	6	6	6
EPT/C	6	3	3	3	3	6	0	0	6	6
% DT	3	6	6	3	3	3	3	0	6	3
EPTI	0	6	6	0	0	0	6	3	6	6
SHR/T	6	3	3	0	0	0	3	3	0	6
CLI	3	6	3	3	3	3	6	6	6	6
Total Score	36	42	39	18	15	24	36	30	42	45
% Comp to DC-10	80.0	93.3	86.7	40.0	33.3	53.3	80.0	66.7	93.3	100
Biological Condition ²	NI	NI	NI	MI	MI	MI	NI	MI	NI	NI

¹TR: taxa richness, MFBI: Modified Family Biotic Index, SCR/FC: Scraper/Filter Collector ratio, EPT/C: EPT/Chironomidae, %DT: percent Dominant Taxon, EPTI: EPT Index, SHR/T: Shredder/Total Abundance ratio, CLI: Community Loss Index

n/a: not applicable

²NI: not impaired, SI: severely impaired, MI: moderately impaired

Table 2.49 Water chemistry results from samples collected in the Dumps Creek watershed on 1/28/02 (Part 1 of 2)

PARAMETER	METHOD	DC—01	DC—02	DC—03	DC—04	DC—05
PH	EPA 150.1	7.12*	7.27*	7.31*	8.19*	8.39*
DISSOLVED IRON (mg/L)	EPA 7000 A	0.03**	0.12**	0.11**	0.32**	0.09**
TOTAL IRON (mg/L)	EPA 7000 A	0.05	0.21	0.18	1.89	0.29
DISSOLVED MANGANESE (mg/L)	EPA 7000 A	<0.02**	0.02**	0.02**	0.04**	0.04**
TOTAL MANGANESE (mg/L)	EPA 7000 A	<0.02	0.03	0.03	0.05	0.05
TSS (mg/L)	EPA 160.2	1.6	3.2	1.6	22.4	3.6
TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS (mg/L)	EPA 160.3	300	186	184	388	540
ACIDITY (mg/L)	EPA 305.1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	EPA 310.1	53	37	41	159	331
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	EPA 120.1	400	270	260	555	775
SULFATE (mg/L)	EPA 375.4	136	82	76	104	104
TYPE OF FLOW		M	M	M	M	M

*Exceeded holding time before Lab pH analyzed, **Dissolved iron and Dissolved Manganese were analyzed on a sample that was acidified before being filtered.

Table 2.49 Water chemistry results from samples collected in the Dumps Creek watershed on 1/28/02 (Part 2 of 2)

PARAMETER	METHOD	DC—06	DC—07	DC—08	DC—09	DC—10
PH	EPA 150.1	8.15*	7.77*	7.77*	7.78*	7.74*
DISSOLVED IRON (mg/L)	EPA 7000 A	0.11**	0.15**	0.21**	0.15*	0.33**
TOTAL IRON (mg/L)	EPA 7000 A	0.40	0.23	0.44	0.46	1.78
DISSOLVED MANGANESE (mg/L)	EPA 7000 A	<0.02**	0.02**	0.03**	0.02**	0.04**
TOTAL MANGANESE (mg/L)	EPA 7000 A	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.05
TSS (mg/L)	EPA 160.2	9.6	10.0	25.6	4.0	5.6
TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS (mg/L)	EPA 160.3	420	288	286	220	294
ACIDITY (mg/L)	EPA 305.1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	EPA 310.1	167	95	97	70	54
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	EPA 120.1	580	404	408	343	412
SULFATE (mg/L)	EPA 375.4	104	84	88	68	129
TYPE OF FLOW		M	M	M	M	M

*Exceeded holding time before Lab pH analyzed, **Dissolved iron and Dissolved Manganese were analyzed on a sample that was acidified before being filtered.

2.3.2 Trend and Seasonal Analyses

In order to improve TMDL allocation scenarios and, therefore, the success of implementation strategies, trend analyses were performed on precipitation, flow rates, and pollutant concentrations. A Seasonal Kendall Test was used to examine long-term trends (Gilbert, 1987). The Seasonal Kendall Test ignores seasonal cycles when looking for long-term trends. This improves the chances of finding existing trends in data that are likely to have seasonal patterns. The results of the trend analyses for flow rates and pollutant concentrations are reported in Tables 2.2 through 2.38. The existence of significant trends was fairly limited, and no broad conclusions can be drawn from the trend analyses. There are some consistent trends for stations on Dumps Creek (*i.e.*, MPIDs 3920183, 3920075, 3920185, and 3920076), which show increasing trends for pH, alkalinity, conductivity, and total dissolved solids.

A seasonal analysis of precipitation was conducted using the Moods Median Test (MINITAB, 1995). This test was used to compare median values of precipitation in each month. Significant differences between months within years were reported.

2.3.2.1 Precipitation

Total monthly precipitation measured in Wise, Virginia from May 1955 to August 2000, was analyzed, and no overall, long-term trend was found. Differences in mean monthly precipitation at Wise are indicated in Table 2.27. Precipitation values in months with the same median group letter are not significantly different from each other at the 95% significance level. For example, January, September, October, November and December are all in median group “A” and are not significantly different from each other. In general, precipitation in the spring-summer months tends to be higher than precipitation in the fall-winter months.

Table 2.50 Summary of Moods Median Test on mean monthly precipitation at Wise, Virginia

Month	Mean (in)	Minimum (in)	Maximum (in)	Median Groups ¹	
January	3.71	1.13	8.47	A	B
February	3.82	0.62	8.93		B
March	4.42	1.94	10.78		B C
April	4.07	1.00	9.59		B C
May	4.28	1.79	8.49		B C
June	3.91	0.72	11.61		B
July	5.17	1.05	11.07		C
August	3.92	0.33	7.96		B
September	3.49	0.87	7.52	A	B
October	2.84	0.03	6.58	A	
November	3.56	1.38	6.38	A	B
December	3.54	0.42	7.22	A	B

¹Precipitation in months with the same median group letter is not significantly different from each other at the 95% level of significance.

3. SOURCE ASSESSMENT

The TMDL development described in this report included examination of all potential sources of identified stressors in the Dumps Creek Watershed. The source assessment was used as the basis of model development and ultimate analysis of TMDL allocation options. In evaluation of the sources, loads were characterized by the best available information, literature values, and measured data. This section documents the available information and interpretation for the analysis. The source assessment chapter is organized into point and nonpoint sections, point sources being those sources that can be spatially defined as having a single point of entry and a direct path to the stream and nonpoint sources being diffuse, hydrologically driven pollution sources. The representation of the following sources in the model is discussed in Section 4.

3.1 Assessment of Point Sources

In watersheds with resource extraction activities, establishment and removal of permitted point sources is a dynamic process. During the time period modeled for this TMDL, there were 74 point sources (Table C.1, Appendix C) permitted to discharge into Dumps Creek through the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). Each of these point sources (Figure 3.1) is associated with a surface mine, deep mine, or mixed use permit.



All of the point sources in figure 3.1 are identified with a MapTech ID, assigned to improve the readability of the map. Table C.1, Appendix C, relates the MapTech to MPIDs, company IDs, and permit numbers for each station. Sixty-two of the point sources collect and discharge surface runoff from disturbed areas. Nine of the point sources collect and discharge water pumped from deep mines. The remaining three point sources collect and discharge water from comingled sources (*i.e.*, both surface runoff and mine discharge). Thirty-one of the points discharged no flow during the monitored period. Summaries of monitoring conducted to support permit compliance efforts (Table 3.1 through 3.43) show that the levels of stressors in the permitted discharges are typically less than those measured in the stream (Section 2.3).

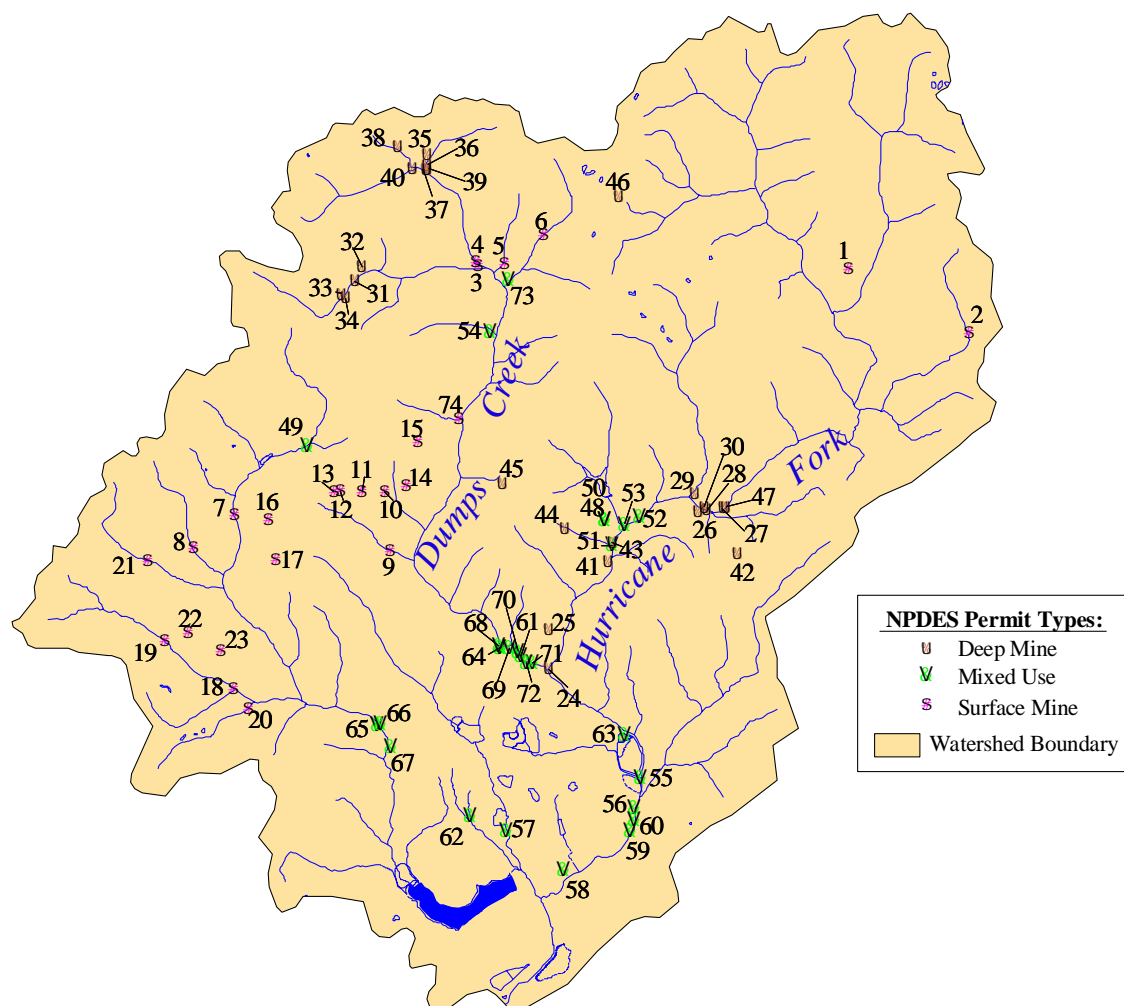


Figure 3.1 Location of NPDES permitted point sources in the Dumps Creek Watershed

Table 3.1 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0000984 (Sampled 1/95-3/02)

MPID 0000984	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD ¹	N ²
FLOW (gpm)	33.44	1	341	0	64.63	174
pH	7.2	7.2	8.7	6.1	0.5	92
Fe (mg/L)	0.2	0.1	2.2	0	0.3	81
Mn (mg/L)	0.12	0.1	0.9	0	0.14	81
TSS (mg/L)	5.49	3	32	1	6.60	81
Ss (ml/L)	0.05	0.1	0.1	0	0.05	11

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.2 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0001178 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)

MPID 0001178	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	88.63	50	800	0	110.33	131
pH	7.6	7.6	8.8	6.5	0.5	127
Fe (mg/L)	0.3	0.2	1.8	0	0.4	65
Mn (mg/L)	0.06	0	1.1	0	0.15	65
TSS (mg/L)	8.47	5	41	2	7.63	66
Ss (ml/L)	0.17	0.05	1	0	0.21	62

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.3 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0002608 (Sampled 10/97-9/02)**

MPID 0002608	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	173.97	0	2,800	0	377.68	119
pH	7.7	7.7	8.6	7	0.4	55
Fe (mg/L)	0.53	0.1	12.8	0	2	40
Mn (mg/L)	0.30	0.1	8.3	0	1.30	40
TSS (mg/L)	8.7	6.5	43	1	8.43	40
Ss (ml/L)	0.04	0	0.1	0	0.05	15

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.4 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0002609 (Sampled 11/97-9/02)**

MPID 0002609	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	1,380.64	825.5	7,467	0	1,343.94	118
pH	8.2	8.2	8.9	7	0.4	116
Fe (mg/L)	0.5	0.2	12	0	1.5	96
Mn (mg/L)	0.17	0.1	5.9	0	0.64	96
TSS (mg/L)	7.05	5.5	32	1	6.21	96
Ss (ml/L)	0.04	0	0.1	0	0.05	19

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.5 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0002612 (Sampled 11/97-9/02)

MPID 0002612	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	11.74	0	300	0	42.16	118
pH	7.3	7.3	8.4	6	0.5	27
Fe (mg/L)	0.4	0.1	2.8	0	0.8	13
Mn (mg/L)	0.32	0.1	2.3	0	0.61	13
TSS (mg/L)	11.92	9	33	1	9.81	13
Ss (ml/L)	0.04	0	0.1	0	0.05	14

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.6 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0002613 (Sampled 4/98-9/02)**

MPID 0002613	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	20.88	0	314	0	57.09	109
pH	7.2	7.3	8	6.3	0.4	31
Fe (mg/L)	0.2	0.1	1.6	0	0.4	20
Mn (mg/L)	0.11	0.1	0.8	0	0.17	20
TSS (mg/L)	5	3	14	1	4.24	20
Ss (ml/L)	0.06	0	0.6	0	0.18	11

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.7 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0003251 (Sampled 7/99-9/02)**

MPID 0003251	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	108.71	40	900	0	153.48	78
pH	7.5	7.4	8.8	6.5	0.5	64
Fe (mg/L)	0.46	0.2	10.3	0	1.43	50
Mn (mg/L)	0.17	0.1	1.3	0	0.21	50
TSS (mg/L)	8.8	7	32	1	8.31	50
Ss (ml/L)	0.02	0	0.1	0	0.04	14

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.8 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0003252 (Sampled 8/99-9/02)

MPID 0003252	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	27.76	4	300	0	57.81	76
pH	7.4	7.4	9.2	6.4	0.6	53
Fe (mg/L)	0.4	0.2	1.6	0.1	0.3	41
Mn (mg/L)	0.42	0.2	2.8	0	0.58	41
TSS (mg/L)	8.12	5	24	1	6.74	41
Ss (ml/L)	0.18	0	2	0	0.57	12

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.9 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0003253 (Sampled 8/00-9/02)**

MPID 0003253	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	50.10	30	250	0	60.52	51
pH	7.3	7.2	8.7	6.2	0.5	44
Fe (mg/L)	0.2	0.2	1	0	0.2	35
Mn (mg/L)	0.03	0	0.3	0	0.07	35
TSS (mg/L)	8.23	6	37	2	8.26	35
Ss (ml/L)	0	0	0	0	0	9

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.10 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0003867 (Sampled 8/00-9/02)**

MPID 0003867	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	3.98	0	50	0	9.91	51
pH	7.3	7.2	7.8	6.9	0.3	11
Fe (mg/L)	0.1	0	0.2	0	0.1	11
Mn (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	11
TSS (mg/L)	2.82	2	11	2	2.71	11

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.11 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0003905 (Sampled 12/00-9/02)**

MPID 0003905	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	87.49	75	500	0	129.45	43
pH	7.2	7.2	7.8	6.3	0.4	28
Fe (mg/L)	0.2	0.2	0.6	0	0.1	22
Mn (mg/L)	0.10	0.1	0.3	0	0.07	22
TSS (mg/L)	9.09	7.5	41	2	8.45	22

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.12 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0003906 (Sampled 7/01-9/02)

MPID 0003906	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	65.81	30	420	0	92.45	31
pH	7.2	7.1	8.8	6	0.7	28
Fe (mg/L)	0.6	0.2	2.8	0	0.8	22
Mn (mg/L)	0.19	0.1	0.7	0	0.20	22
TSS (mg/L)	9.86	8	22	2	6.59	22
Ss (ml/L)	0.02	0	0.1	0	0.04	6

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.13 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 0003907 (Sampled 1/01-9/02)**

MPID 0003907	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	46.94	20	350	0	78.81	36
pH	6.8	6.8	7.8	6	0.5	34
Fe (mg/L)	0.5	0.2	2.4	0.1	0.5	27
Mn (mg/L)	0.04	0	0.3	0	0.07	27
TSS (mg/L)	10.85	7	37	2	10.22	27

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.14 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3970178 (Sampled 1/95-4/02)**

MPID 3970178	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	76.93	60	310	0	66.02	112
pH	7.4	7.5	8.3	6.2	0.5	103
Fe (mg/L)	0.3	0.3	0.9	0	0.2	38
Mn (mg/L)	0.11	0.1	1.1	0	0.19	38
TSS (mg/L)	9.37	9	22	4	5.19	38
Ss (ml/L)	0.18	0.1	0.4	0	0.19	6.5

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.15 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3970201 (Sampled 1/95-4/02)

MPID 3970201	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	86.49	0	1,181	0	204.25	151
pH	7.3	7.3	8	6.5	0.3	66
Fe (mg/L)	0.3	0.1	4.5	0	0.7	58
Mn (mg/L)	0.19	0.1	3.3	0	0.44	58
TSS (mg/L)	6.34	3.5	56	1	9.24	58
Ss (ml/L)	0.08	0.1	0.1	0	0.05	8

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.16 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3970218 (Sampled 1/95-6/02)**

MPID 3970218	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	0.21	0	25	0	1.99	179
pH	7.6	7.8	8	6.9	0.6	3
Fe (mg/L)	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.2	3
Mn (mg/L)	0.07	0	0.2	0	0.12	3
TSS (mg/L)	12.33	15	16	6	5.51	3

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.17 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3982946 (Sampled 1/95-6/02)**

MPID 3982946	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	0.29	0	15	0	1.70	180
pH	7.4	7.5	7.9	6.5	0.5	6
Fe (mg/L)	0.4	0.2	0.8	0.1	0.3	5
TSS (mg/L)	13.6	8	38	5	13.76	5

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.18 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3983285 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3983285	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	0.65	0	20	0	1.98	186
pH	7.1	7.2	8.2	6.2	0.4	37
Fe (mg/L)	0.2	0.1	0.8	0	0.2	37
TSS (mg/L)	5.81	4	16	2	3.95	37

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.19 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3983540 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)

MPID 3983540	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	1.29	0	75	0	7.49	186
pH	7.2	7.2	7.7	6.6	0.4	10
Fe (mg/L)	1	0.2	4.5	0.1	1.6	7
TSS (mg/L)	42.57	4	229	4	83.00	7
Ss (ml/L)	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0	3

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.20 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985028 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985028	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	131.53	95	600	0	112.21	188
pH	7.6	7.6	8.4	6.5	0.4	182
Fe (mg/L)	0.2	0.2	1.8	0	0.2	182
TSS (mg/L)	7.59	4	70	2	8.57	182

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.21 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985053 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985053	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	174.36	0	2,000	0	277.83	188
pH	7.8	7.8	8.5	6.5	0.5	65
Fe (mg/L)	0.3	0.2	2	0.1	0.3	65
Mn (mg/L)	0.06	0.1	0.1	0	0.05	5
TSS (mg/L)	11.03	8	57	4	10.29	65

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.22 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985033 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985033	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	0.22	0	40	0	2.93	186
pH	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8		1

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.23 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985044 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)

MPID 3985044	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	126.18	110	1,200	0	97.33	190
pH	7.7	7.8	8.5	6.5	0.4	188
Fe (mg/L)	0.4	0.3	3.1	0	0.5	188
TSS (mg/L)	11.05	8.5	89	2	10.78	188

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.24 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985045 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985045	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	1.10	0	75	0	8.02	186
pH	7.2	7.4	7.6	6.3	0.6	4
Fe (mg/L)	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.2	0.3	3
TSS (mg/L)	11.3	6	24	1	11.02	3
Ss (ml/L)	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4		1

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.25 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985046 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985046	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	324.71	250	1,200	50	247.16	189
pH	7.8	7.8	8.7	6.8	0.4	189
Fe (mg/L)	0.7	0.4	4.1	0	0.7	189
Mn (mg/L)	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2		1
TSS (mg/L)	15.14	11	110	2	14.64	189

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.26 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985047 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985047	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	120.05	110	320	0	66.07	186
pH	7.7	7.8	8.9	6.9	0.4	179
Fe (mg/L)	0.4	0.4	2.4	0	0.3	179
TSS (mg/L)	14.37	12	63	2	10.97	179

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.27 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985048 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)

MPID 3985048	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	5.83	0	200	0	18.43	186
pH	7.5	7.4	8.8	6.7	0.4	50
Fe (mg/L)	0.2	0.2	1.1	0.1	0.2	44
TSS (mg/L)	9.68	7.5	36	2	7.05	44
Ss (ml/L)	0.2	0.2	0.4	0	0.22	6

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.28 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985049 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985049	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	47.19	45	200	0	27.73	189
pH	7.7	7.8	8.7	6.6	0.4	180
Fe (mg/L)	0.3	0.2	2.2	0	0.3	179
Mn (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1		1
TSS (mg/L)	13.04	9	103	2	13.39	180

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.29 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985050 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985050	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	15.28	1	400	0	36.36	190
pH	7.4	7.4	8.3	6	0.5	95
Fe (mg/L)	0.6	0.4	4.6	0	0.7	95
TSS (mg/L)	13.29	8	209	2	22.98	95

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.30 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985051 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985051	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	0.54	0	100	0	7.33	186
pH	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4		1

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.31 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985052 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)

MPID 3985052	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	2.85	0	75	0	7.53	186
pH	7.6	7.6	8.4	6.5	0.4	59
Fe (mg/L)	0.3	0.2	1.9	0	0.4	59
TSS (mg/L)	5.81	4	28	2	5.28	59

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.32 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985053 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985053	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	0.68	0	40	0	4.74	186
pH	7.1	7	7.4	6.9	0.2	5
Fe (mg/L)	1.4	0.2	5.4	0.1	2.3	5
TSS (mg/L)	25.2	4	103	4	43.60	5

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.33 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985054 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985054	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	60.53	62.5	180	0	46.23	188
pH	7.6	7.6	8.8	6.5	0.4	144
Fe (mg/L)	0.3	0.3	3.2	0	0.3	144
Mn (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	2
TSS (mg/L)	7.35	5	40	2	5.65	144

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.34 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985055 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985055	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	0.38	0	40	0	3.66	186
pH	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.1	0.3	2
Ss (ml/L)	0.1	0.1	0.2	0	0.14	2

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.35 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985056 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)

MPID 3985056	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	4.42	0	80	0	13.56	186
pH	7.4	7.3	8.6	6	0.5	25
Fe (mg/L)	0.2	0.2	0.6	0	0.2	21
TSS (mg/L)	6.67	4	16	2	3.75	21
Ss (ml/L)	0.3	0.4	0.4	0	0.2	4

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.36 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 3985059 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 3985059	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	0.05	0	10	0	0.73	186
pH	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5		1
Ss (ml/L)	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4		1

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.37 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 5170001 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 5170001	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	3.44	0	60	0	9.98	191
pH	7.4	7.3	8.4	6.1	0.6	29
Fe (mg/L)	0.7	0.5	4	0.1	0.8	29
Mn (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.3	0	0.07	26
TSS (mg/L)	32.14	22	254	4	46.56	29

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.38 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 5170002 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 5170002	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	0.04	0	8	0	0.59	186
pH	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7		1
Fe (mg/L)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3		1
Mn (mg/L)	0	0	0	0		1
TSS (mg/L)	5	5	5	5		1

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.39 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 5183655 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)

MPID 5183655	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	1,543.14	2,000	8,000	0	1,471.38	90
pH	7.2	7.2	8.3	6.3	0.3	174
Fe (mg/L)	0.6	0.4	5.9	0	0.8	174
TSS (mg/L)	8.93	5	65	2	9.38	174

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.40 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 5183658 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 5183658	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	1.88	0	60	0	8.25	186
pH	7	6.9	8.2	6	0.5	17
Fe (mg/L)	0.3	0.2	1.5	0.1	0.4	13
TSS (mg/L)	12.23	4	41	4	11.75	13
Ss (ml/L)	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0	4

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.41 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 5183660 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 5183660	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	0.96	0	75	0	7.52	186
pH	7.4	7.5	7.8	7	0.4	4
Fe (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	2
TSS (mg/L)	6.5	6.5	9	4	3.54	2
Ss (ml/L)	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0	2

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.42 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 5183662 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)**

MPID 5183662	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	360.15	2	4,000	0	934.37	190
pH	7.3	7.3	8.4	6.5	0.4	96
Fe (mg/L)	0.4	0.3	3.7	0	0.5	90
Mn (mg/L)	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2		1
TSS (mg/L)	11.77	6	344	2	35.84	90
Ss (ml/L)	0.33	0.4	0.4	0	0.16	6

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.43 Monitoring Data for Permitted Point Source at MPID 5470215 (Sampled 1/95-9/02)

MPID 5470215	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW (gpm)	5.60	0	75	0	12.24	186
PH	7.5	7.6	8.5	6.4	0.4	67
Fe (mg/L)	0.2	0.1	1	0	0.2	67
Mn (mg/L)	0.06	0.1	0.1	0	0.05	67
TSS (mg/L)	6.25	4	19	2	4.20	67

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

3.2 Assessment of Nonpoint Sources

In the Dumps Creek Watershed, nonpoint sources of stressors during the modeled period potentially included Acid Mine Drainage (AMD), drainage from Abandoned Mine Lands (AML), and active-mine areas that do not drain to a permitted pond. In the context of this report, AMD will refer to drainage that has been identified as seeping to the surface of the land and being delivered to the stream, and drainage from AML will refer to any drainage that eventually makes its way to the stream, whether through groundwater, interflow, or surface runoff. Each of these sources has the potential to deliver significant loads of the stressors identified as being significant limiters of benthic health.

3.2.1 Acid Mine Drainage (Mine Seeps)

The Dumps Creek watershed and surrounding areas have a long history of mining activity, including several deep mines. As such, there is a potential for AMD sources in the watershed. Eighteen sites were sampled in the Dumps Creek watershed by VADMME in 1996/1997 as part of a survey of potential AMD sites (Figure 3.2). Where there was flow, a sample was collected and analyzed. Table 3.44 presents the data collected at these sites. The data shows pHs that are near neutral, and relatively low levels of metals, indicating that the seeps in this area are not acidified.



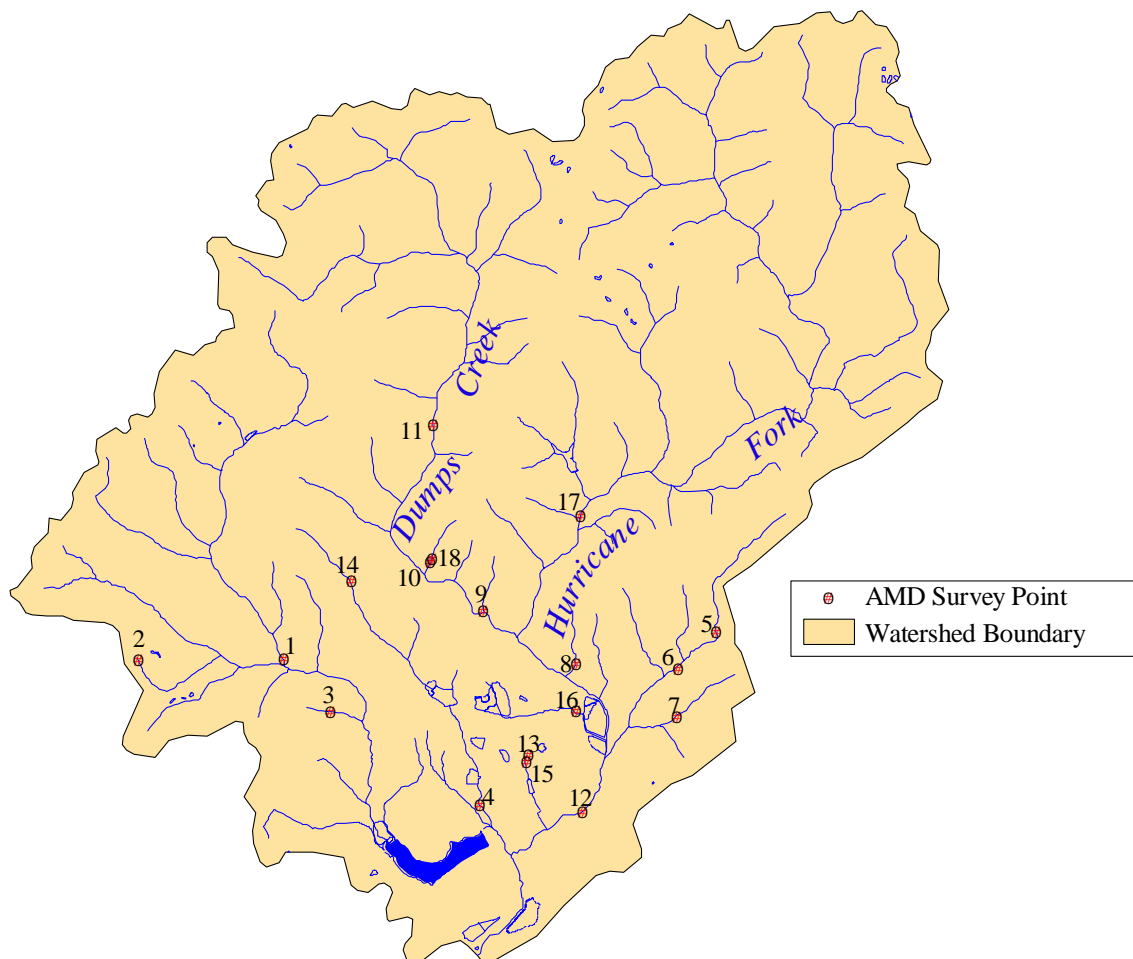


Figure 3.2 AMD Survey Sites in the Dumps Creek Watershed

**Table 3.44 Water Quality Data from AMD Survey Conducted by VADMME
1996/1997 (Part 1 of 3)**

Water Quality Constituent	MapTech ID					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Lab ID	AA14081	AA14082	AA14083	AA14084	AA14088	AA14089
Date	09/21/96	09/21/96	09/21/96	09/21/96	09/21/96	09/21/96
PH	9	8	8	9	8	8
Conductivity (µmhos/cm)	391	479	410	784	76	166
DO (mg/l)	8	7	7	7	8	6
Temp (°C)	15	14	13	16	16	15
Flow (gpm)	451	239	190	183	5	25
Acidity	--	--	--	--	--	--
Alkalinity	642	182	28	238	25	49
Sulfate	30	65	133	193	10	23
Total Fe (mg/l)	0	1	--	0	0	0
Dissolved Fe (mg/l)	0	--	--	0	--	0
Total Mn (mg/l)	--	--	--	--	0	0
Dissolved Mn (mg/l)	--	--	--	--	0	0
Total Cu	<0.08	<0.08	<0.08	<0.08	<0.08	<0.08
Dissolved Cu (mg/l)	0.113	<0.08	<0.08	<0.08	<0.08	<0.08
Total Al (mg/l)	<0.40	<0.40	<0.40	<0.40	<0.40	<0.40
Dissolved Al (mg/l)	<0.40	<0.40	<0.40	<0.40	<0.40	<0.40
Total Ni	<0.20	<0.20	<0.20	<0.20	0.273	0.446
Dissolved Ni (mg/l)	<0.20	<0.20	<0.20	0.385	0.287	0.433

**Table 3.44 Water Quality Data from AMD Survey Conducted by VADMME
1996/1997 (Part 2 of 3)**

Water Quality Constituent	MapTech ID					
	7	8	9	10	11	12
Lab ID	AA14090	AA14091	AA14092	AA14093	AA14094	AA16913
Date	09/21/96	--	09/21/96	--	09/21/96	01/09/97
PH	7	--	8	--	8	9
Conductivity (µmhos/cm)	181	--	543	--	521	583
DO (mg/l)	7	--	7	--	6	9
Temp (°C)	16	--	17	--	18	9
Flow (gpm)	8	--	463	--	381	--
Acidity	--	--	--	--	--	--
Alkalinity	67	--	111	--	125	218
Sulfate	20	--	177	--	196	55
Total Fe (mg/l)	1	--	--	--	0	0
Dissolved Fe (mg/l)	--	--	--	--	0	--
Total Mn (mg/l)	0	--	--	--	--	0
Dissolved Mn (mg/l)	0	--	--	--	--	0
Total Cu	<0.08	--	<0.08	--	<0.08	<0.035
Dissolved Cu (mg/l)	<0.08	--	<0.08	--	<0.08	<0.035
Total Al (mg/l)	<0.40	--	<0.40	--	<0.40	0.163
Dissolved Al (mg/l)	<0.40	--	<0.40	--	<0.40	0.069
Total Ni	<0.20	--	<0.20	--	0.267	<0.010
Dissolved Ni (mg/l)	<0.20	--	<0.20	--	0.234	<0.010

Table 3.44 Water Quality Data from AMD Survey Conducted by VADMME 1996/1997 (Part 3 of 3)

Water Quality Constituent	MapTech ID					
	13	14	15	16	17	18
Lab ID	AA17194	AA17913	AA17914	AA17915	AA17916	DRY
Date	--	02/19/97	02/19/97	02/19/97	02/19/97	--
PH	--	7	8	8	8	--
Conductivity (µmhos/cm)	--	405	313	702	1142	--
DO (mg/l)	--	--	--	--	--	--
Temp (°C)	--	8	6	7	6	--
Flow (gpm)	--	20	10	15	600	--
Acidity	--	--	--	--	--	--
Alkalinity	--	32	140	210	100	--
Sulfate	--	104	467	160	102	--
Total Fe (mg/l)	--	0	0	0	0	--
Dissolved Fe (mg/l)	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total Mn (mg/l)	--	--	0	--	--	--
Dissolved Mn (mg/l)	--	--	0	--	--	--
Total Cu	--	<0.035	<0.035	<0.035	<0.035	--
Dissolved Cu (mg/l)	--	<0.035	<0.0335	<0.035	<0.035	--
Total Al (mg/l)	--	0.091	0.096	0.059	<0.056	--
Dissolved Al (mg/l)	--	<0.056	<0.056	<0.056	<0.056	--
Total Ni	--	<0.010	<0.010	0.015	<0.010	--
Dissolved Ni (mg/l)	--	<0.010	<0.010	0.02	<0.010	--

3.2.2 Abandoned Mine Lands

In addition to impacts from AMD, abandoned mine lands (AML) have the potential to contribute to water quality problems through contributions in overland flow, interflow, and groundwater. Abandoned mine lands are areas impacted by surface mining, but not reclaimed to the standards of the 1977 Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (SMCRA). Land uses in these areas include: disturbed lands (areas disturbed by previous mining operations through removal of vegetation and/or grading), spoils (mine waste discarded in fills or piles), and benches (abandoned surface mine sites, which often leave exposed high walls).

All of these areas have the potential to deliver a higher level of solids than that delivered from undisturbed areas in overland flow, due to removal of vegetation and disturbances of surface soil structure. The impact from un-reclaimed sites tends to be reduced over time, but where steep slopes are left bare, severe erosion can prevent revegetation and promote continued problems with erosion.



3.2.3 Groundwater Data

Groundwater data has been collected at 59 sites in the Dumps Creek Watershed (Figure 3.3 and Table 3.46). Samples were collected at 5 types of sites (*i.e.*, mine drains, piezometers, springs, fill underdrains, and wells). Summary data from these sites are presented in Tables 3.47 through 3.83. The data do not suggest many consistent patterns. However, total dissolved solids and related parameters (*e.g.*, conductivity and hardness) tended to be lower at the well sites than at other sites, and iron levels tended to be higher. Most acidity levels were relatively low, however, the mean acidity from one piezometer site (MPID 3952436) and one mine drain site (MPID 0003913) were 26.3 and 15 mg CaCO_2/L , respectively.

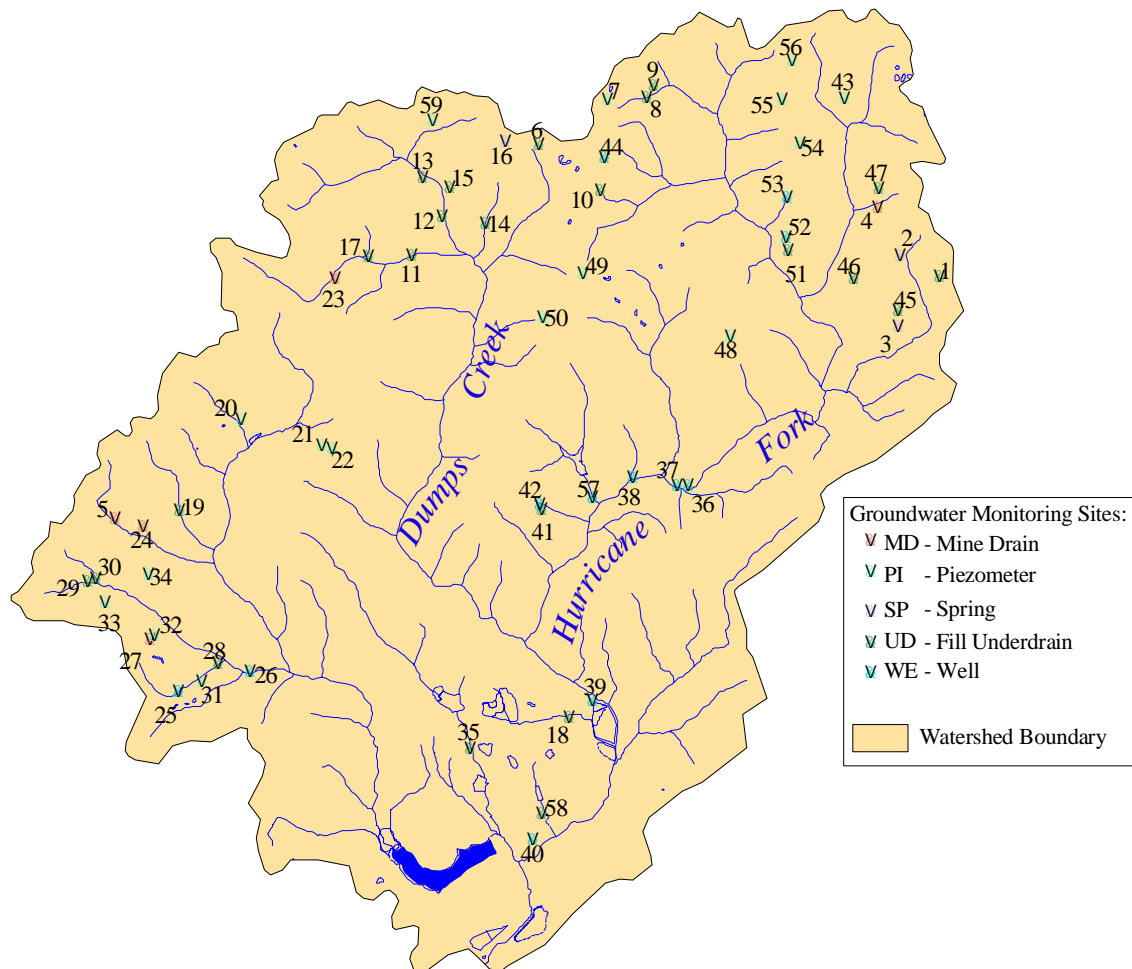


Figure 3.3 Groundwater Monitoring Sites in the Dumps Creek Watershed

**Table 3.45 Groundwater Monitoring Sites in the Dumps Creek Watershed
(Part 1 of 2)**

MapTech ID	MPID	Company ID	Permit #	Site Code¹	Dates
1	0000132	UD-5	1101398	UD	No Data
2	0000916	S-1	1101468	SP	No Data
3	0000917	S-2	1101468	SP	No Data
4	0000918	MD-1	1101468	MD	1/96—12/00
5	0001179	BB3-16	1101758	MD	1/95—12/00
6	0001574	GW-1	1101516	UD	10/95—12/00
7	0001576	P-2	1101516	PI	1/97—6/00
8	0001578	UD-1	1101516	UD	3/95—12/00
9	0001579	UD-2	1101516	UD	3/95—12/00
10	0001846	GW-9	1201359	UD	1/96—12/00
11	0002614	GWMP-A	1101607	UD	11/98—12/00
12	0002615	GWMP-B	1101607	UD	7/00—12/00
13	0002616	GWMP-C	1101607	UD	7/00—12/00
14	0002617	GWMP-D	1101607	UD	12/98—12/00
15	0002618	GWMP-E	1101607	UD	7/00—12/00

¹: MD—Mine Drain, PI—Piezometer, SP—Spring, UD—Fill Underdrain, WE—Well

**Table 3.45 Groundwater Monitoring Sites in the Dumps Creek Watershed
(Part 2 of 2)**

MapTech ID	MPID	Company ID	Permit #	Site Code ¹	Dates
16	0002620	GWMP-6	1101607	SP	11/97—12/00
17	0002736	GWMP-RFA	1101607	UD	5/98—12/00
18	0002922	UD-13	1300481	UD	11/00—12/00
19	0003242	UD-A	1101681	UD	7/00—12/00
20	0003243	P-1	1101681	PI	No Data
21	0003244	P-2	1101681	PI	No Data
22	0003245	P-3	1101681	PI	No Data
23	0003248	GWBL-2	1101681	MD	7/99—12/00
24	0003249	GWBL-4	1101681	MD	7/99—12/00
25	0003911	GW-3	1101758	WE	No Data
26	0003912	GW-4	1101758	WE	11/00—12/00
27	0003913	GW-5	1101758	MD	11/00—12/00
28	0003914	UD-2	1101758	UD	No Data
29	0003916	UD-4	1101758	UD	No Data
30	0003917	UD-5	1101758	UD	No Data
31	0003919	P-1	1101758	PI	No Data
32	0003920	P-2	1101758	PI	No Data
33	0003921	P-3	1101758	PI	No Data
34	0003922	P-4	1101758	PI	No Data
35	3905038	RS-1	1300481	UD	1/95—12/00
36	3943283	GW-2	1200255	WE	1/95—12/00
37	3943284	GW-3	1200255	WE	1/95—10/00
38	3945026	GW-2	1300480	WE	1/95—10/00
39	3945039	GW-3	1300481	WE	1/95—12/00
40	3945040	GW-4	1300481	WE	1/95—12/00
41	3950125	GW-1	1201309	UD	1/95—12/00
42	3950126	GW-2	1201309	WE	No Data
43	3950129	P-4	1100988	PI	No Data
44	3950167	GW-4	1201359	WE	No Data
45	3950172	UD-1	1101398	UD	1/95—12/00
46	3950173	UD-2	1101398	UD	1/95—12/00
47	3950175	UD-4	1101398	UD	No Data
48	3950195	P-1	1101385	PI	1/95—12/00
49	3950196	P-2	1101385	PI	1/95—12/00
50	3950197	P-3	1101385	PI	11/97—6/00
51	3952431	GW-1	1100988	UD	No Data
52	3952432	GW-2	1100988	WE	No Data
53	3952433	GW-3	1100988	WE	1/95—12/00
54	3952434	P-1	1100988	PI	No Data
55	3952435	P-2	1100988	PI	No Data
56	3952436	P-3	1100988	PI	1/95—12/00
57	3955027	GW-3	1300480	WE	1/95—12/00
58	3955043	RS-9	1300481	UD	1/95—10/00
59	5150151	P-A	1200483	PI	No Data

¹. MD—Mine Drain, PI—Piezometer, SP—Spring, UD—Fill Underdrain, WE—Well

Table 3.46 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0001179 Sampling 1/95—12/00

MPNO 0001179	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	44.7	40	150	2	23.0	142
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.19	7.2	8.3	6.3	0.48	142
Fe (mg/L)	0.29	0.2	1.4	0	0.28	23
Mn (mg/L)	0.07	0.1	0.3	0	0.07	23
TSS (mg/L)	12.2	4	77	2	15.8	23
APP	1	1	1	1	0	141
TEMP	12.4	12	22	4	3.8	139
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	23
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	209.5	204	402	22	70.9	23
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	603.4	610	2050	160	217.9	142
TDS (mg/L)	404.4	390	715	178	132.7	23
SULFATE (mg/L)	117.3	114	278	21	65.9	23
HARDNESS	222.9	226	312	104	54.1	23
CHLORIDE	9.4	5	47	2	10.4	23

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.47** Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0001574 Sampling 10/95—12/00

MPNO 0001574	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	12.5	6	90	0	18.0	114
DEPTH	0	0	0	0	0	12
PH	7.54	7.6	8.2	6.5	0.35	91
Fe (mg/L)	0.47	0.2	1.8	0.1	0.54	17
Mn (mg/L)	0.26	0.1	1.4	0.1	0.42	17
TSS (mg/L)	14.8	10	50	1	13.4	17
APP	1.0	1	2	1	0.2	86
TEMP	14.9	14	28	3	5.9	91
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	17
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	91.7	96	145	31	24.9	17
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	1272.5	1320	2300	300	469.5	91
TDS (mg/L)	1236.5	1420	1984	284	540.0	17
SULFATE (mg/L)	411.4	400	875	55	274.7	17
HARDNESS	770.8	825	1495	184	434.6	17
CHLORIDE	18.2	20	32	8	8.4	17

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.48 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0001576 Sampling 1/97—6/00

MPNO 0001576	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	0	0	0	0	0	84
DEPTH	13.3	12	18	9	2.6	83
PH	6.34	6.4	6.8	5.5	0.30	83
Fe (mg/L)	0.46	0.35	1.7	0.1	0.50	14
Mn (mg/L)	0.33	0.15	1.1	0.1	0.36	14
TSS (mg/L)	28.2	11	202	1	52.1	14
APP	1.3	1	3	1	0.5	82
TEMP	14.8	15	22	9	3.3	83
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	14
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	86.6	96	145	16	35.0	14
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	1534.9	1300	3400	190	813.7	83
TDS (mg/L)	2192.6	2400	3864	434	1029.0	14
SULFATE (mg/L)	426.8	400	850	145	241.5	14
HARDNESS	1387.5	1533	2804	144	847.9	14
CHLORIDE	19.8	21	28	7	6.8	14

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.49 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0001578 Sampling 3/95—12/00**

MPNO 0001578	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	8.1	0	100	0	21.3	137
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.49	7.4	8.4	6.6	0.45	40
Fe (mg/L)	0.29	0.2	0.8	0.1	0.25	7
Mn (mg/L)	2.11	0.1	6.9	0.1	2.90	7
TSS (mg/L)	23.6	6	72	1	31.9	7
APP	1.4	1	3	1	0.6	38
TEMP	14.5	14	28	1	6.3	40
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	7
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	78.6	49	164	41	47.9	7
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	394.5	350	900	180	173.3	40
TDS (mg/L)	372.6	252	1086	168	320.1	7
SULFATE (mg/L)	111.4	105	280	0	84.7	7
HARDNESS	176.9	160	368	24	108.9	7
CHLORIDE	13.9	14	24	6	7.3	7

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.50 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0001579 Sampling 3/95—12/00

MPNO 0001579	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	14.6	0	170	0	30.5	126
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.21	7.3	8.1	6.2	0.38	62
Fe (mg/L)	0.46	0.3	1.8	0.1	0.51	10
Mn (mg/L)	0.42	0.1	2.8	0.1	0.84	10
TSS (mg/L)	32.2	18	102	1	35.9	10
APP	1.15	1	3	1	0.48	60
TEMP	15.1	14	31	3	6.1	62
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	10
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	219.9	282.5	345	22	133.7	10
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	1187.5	1515	2160	100	784.5	62
TDS (mg/L)	1492	1518	3646	94	1212.1	10
SULFATE (mg/L)	371	282.5	775	15	276.2	10
HARDNESS	711.2	330.5	1952	57	725.9	10
CHLORIDE	21.4	22.5	33	3	9.7	10

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.51 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0001846 Sampling 1/96—12/00**

MPNO 0001846	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	0.2	0	20	0	1.9	117
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	6.95	6.95	7.5	6.4	0.78	2
Fe (mg/L)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0	2
Mn (mg/L)	0.05	0.05	0.1	0	0.1	2
TSS (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
APP	1	1	1	1	---	1
TEMP	7	7	9	5	2.8	2
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	2
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	24	24	32	16	11.3	2
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	190	190	280	100	127.3	2
TDS (mg/L)	138.5	138.5	192	85	75.7	2
SULFATE (mg/L)	44.5	44.5	60	29	21.9	2
HARDNESS	---	---	0	0	---	0
CHLORIDE	5	5	5	5	0	2

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.52 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0002614 Sampling 11/98—12/00

MPNO 0002614	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	4.5	0	40	0	9.7	51
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.81	8.1	8.5	6.4	0.79	15
Fe (mg/L)	0.23	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.23	3
Mn (mg/L)	0.13	0.2	0.2	0	0.12	3
TSS (mg/L)	20	17	42	1	20.7	3
APP	1	1	1	1	0	15
TEMP	14.1	15	20	4	4.6	15
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	3
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	203.3	205	247	158	44.5	3
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	977.7	940	1315	790	187.5	15
TDS (mg/L)	684.3	895	998	160	457.0	3
SULFATE (mg/L)	252	190	376	190	107.4	3
HARDNESS	309	319	372	236	68.5	3
CHLORIDE	21	20	24	19	2.6	3

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.53 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0002615 Sampling 7/00—12/00**

MPNO 0002615	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	1.1	0	10	0	2.8	12
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7	7.1	7.2	6.6	0.28	4
Fe (mg/L)	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	---	1
Mn (mg/L)	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	---	1
TSS (mg/L)	31	31	31	31	---	1
APP	1	1	1	1	0	4
TEMP	24.5	24	28	22	2.6	4
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	---	1
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	54	54	54	54	---	1
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	637.5	635	670	610	27.5	4
TDS (mg/L)	412	412	412	412	---	1
SULFATE (mg/L)	173	173	173	173	---	1
HARDNESS	220	220	220	220	---	1
CHLORIDE	10	10	10	10	---	1

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.54 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0002616 Sampling 7/00—12/00

MPNO 0002616	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	12.7	1	100	0	29.6	11
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	6.66	6.6	7.6	6.2	0.42	9
Fe (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.2	0	0.14	2
Mn (mg/L)	0.2	0.2	0.4	0	0.28	2
TSS (mg/L)	17	17	21	13	5.7	2
APP	1	1	1	1	0	9
TEMP	17.2	17	24	6	5.7	9
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	2
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	61.5	61.5	62	61	0.7	2
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	636.7	640	820	350	129.9	9
TDS (mg/L)	472	472	522	422	70.7	2
SULFATE (mg/L)	248.5	248.5	258	239	13.4	2
HARDNESS	297	297	330	264	46.7	2
CHLORIDE	10.5	10.5	14	7	4.9	2

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.55 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0002717 Sampling 12/98—12/00**

MPNO 0002717	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	12.9	5	74	0	18.9	51
DEPTH	6	6	6	6	---	1
PH	7.75	7.8	8.1	6.5	0.29	38
Fe (mg/L)	1.45	0.3	6.6	0.1	2.56	6
Mn (mg/L)	0.65	0.2	2.8	0.1	1.07	6
TSS (mg/L)	14	7	36	1	16.1	6
APP	1.1	1	3	1	0.4	38
TEMP	14.9	14.5	25	5	5.9	38
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	6
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	166	140.5	289	117	66.3	6
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	737.1	777.5	960	510	145.9	38
TDS (mg/L)	564.3	510	1032	320	262.	6
SULFATE (mg/L)	199.2	175	320	135	69.3	6
HARDNESS	469	456.5	857	250	211.8	6
CHLORIDE	25.8	23	43	16	9.4	6

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.56 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0002618 Sampling 7/00—12/00

MPNO 0002618	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	6.3	0	40	0	13.0	12
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	6.77	6.8	7	6.5	0.25	3
Fe (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
Mn (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
TSS (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
APP	1.3	1	2	1	0.6	3
TEMP	21.7	23	23	19	2.3	3
ACIDITY (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	563.3	620	630	440	106.9	3
TDS (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
SULFATE (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
HARDNESS	---	---	0	0	---	0
CHLORIDE	---	---	0	0	---	0

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.57 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0002620 Sampling 11/97—12/00**

MPNO 0002620	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	0.4	0	5	0	1.1	77
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	6.22	6.25	7.3	5.6	0.42	18
Fe (mg/L)	0.18	0.15	0.3	0.1	0.10	4
Mn (mg/L)	0.15	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	4
TSS (mg/L)	14.25	1	54	1	26.5	4
APP	1.3	1	3	1	0.7	18
TEMP	11.3	10	20	5	4.9	18
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	4
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	12	10.5	22	5	7.7	4
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	166.4	127.5	610	40	135.2	18
TDS (mg/L)	109	94	204	44	67.8	4
SULFATE (mg/L)	14	14.5	21	6	8.1	4
HARDNESS	40.8	24.5	100	14	39.9	4
CHLORIDE	22.3	20.5	36	12	11.3	4

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.58 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0002736 Sampling 5/98—12/00

MPNO 0002736	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	0.6	0	18	0	2.7	64
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.23	7.25	7.4	7.1	0.12	6
Fe (mg/L)	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.1	0.26	3
Mn (mg/L)	0.13	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.06	3
TSS (mg/L)	67.3	14	176	12	94.1	3
APP	1.3	1	2	1	0.5	6
TEMP	16.8	16.5	24	12	4.4	6
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	3
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	45.7	43	55	39	8.3	3
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	461.7	445	580	410	60.5	6
TDS (mg/L)	517.3	488	800	264	269.2	3
SULFATE (mg/L)	175	140	260	125	74.0	3
HARDNESS	303	279	388	242	75.9	3
CHLORIDE	21.7	23	26	16	5.1	3

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.59 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0002897 Sampling 4/98—12/00**

MPNO 0002897	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	474.8	200	2000	95	451.1	65
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.93	8	8.6	6.9	0.34	66
Fe (mg/L)	1.60	1.5	3.5	0.1	0.81	65
Mn (mg/L)	1.16	1.1	2.8	0.1	0.91	65
TSS (mg/L)	37.9	25	252	2	44.8	65
APP	1.06	1	2	1	0.24	65
TEMP	14.4	15	22	4	4.6	66
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	65
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	221.9	250	312	119	68.1	65
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	686.4	690	1080	380	113.2	66
TDS (mg/L)	451.6	450	737	0	99.9	65
SULFATE (mg/L)	131.1	132	334	31	73.7	65
HARDNESS	175.8	174	488	94	55.6	65
CHLORIDE	30.6	30	82	20	8.5	65

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.60 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0002922 Sampling 11/00—12/00

MPNO 0002922	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	40	45	50	25	13.2	3
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	8.33	8.3	8.5	8.2	0.15	3
Fe (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	---	1
Mn (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	---	1
TSS (mg/L)	2	2	2	2	---	1
APP	1	1	1	1	0	3
TEMP	13.3	14	15	11	2.1	3
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	---	1
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	510	510	510	510	---	1
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	1256.7	1240	1310	1220	47.3	3
TDS (mg/L)	774	774	774	774	---	1
SULFATE (mg/L)	123	123	123	123	---	1
HARDNESS	172	172	172	172	---	1
CHLORIDE	15	15	15	15	---	1

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.61 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0003242 Sampling 7/00—12/00**

MPNO 0003242	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	24.2	0	250	0	71.5	12
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.64	7.7	8.7	6.8	0.70	5
Fe (mg/L)	0.45	0.45	0.8	0.1	0.49	2
Mn (mg/L)	0.25	0.25	0.4	0.1	0.21	2
TSS (mg/L)	24.5	24.5	28	21	4.9	2
APP	1.4	1	3	1	0.9	5
TEMP	19	20	22	12	4	5
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	2
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	46	46	50	42	5.7	2
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	608.8	693	780	411	170.6	5
TDS (mg/L)	278	278	282	274	5.7	2
SULFATE (mg/L)	101.5	101.5	127	76	36.1	2
HARDNESS	207	207	218	196	15.6	2
CHLORIDE	14	14	16	12	2.8	2

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.62 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0003246 Sampling 7/00—12/00

MPNO 0003246	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	---	---	0	0	---	0
DEPTH	13.4	14	17	7	2.7	9
PH	14.0	7.2	68	6.8	20.3	9
Fe (mg/L)	2.55	2.55	2.6	2.5	0.07	2
Mn (mg/L)	0.35	0.35	0.4	0.3	0.07	2
TSS (mg/L)	9.5	9.5	12	7	3.5	2
APP	1	1	1	1	0	9
TEMP	15	16	17	12	1.9	9
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	2
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	90	90	101	79	15.6	2
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	373.3	380	450	290	52.7	9
TDS (mg/L)	218.5	218.5	225	212	9.2	2
SULFATE (mg/L)	74.5	74.5	83	66	12.0	2
HARDNESS	121	121	124	118	4.2	2
CHLORIDE	16	16	18	14	2.8	2

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.63 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0003248 Sampling 7/99—12/00**

MPNO 0003248	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	40.7	40	100	0	30.2	35
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.51	7.4	8.2	7.1	0.24	34
Fe (mg/L)	0.08	0.1	0.1	0	0.04	5
Mn (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.00	5
TSS (mg/L)	5	1	16	1	6.5	5
APP	1	1	1	1	0	34
TEMP	12.2	12.5	23	4	4.4	34
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	5
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	104.6	83	181	76	44.1	5
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	770.7	770	1300	520	119.9	34
TDS (mg/L)	417.4	368	656	280	144.7	5
SULFATE (mg/L)	276.6	253	475	115	140.5	5
HARDNESS	264.4	196	396	166	110.9	5
CHLORIDE	18.8	20	27	7	7.4	5

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.64 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0003249 Sampling 7/99—12/00

MPNO 0003249	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	13	7	125	0	21.7	36
DEPTH	1	1	1	1	0.0	1
PH	7.4	7.5	8	6.6	0.5	35
Fe (mg/L)	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.2	6
Mn (mg/L)	0.32	0.1	1.5	0	0.58	6
TSS (mg/L)	10.5	10	26	1	9.5	6
APP	1	1	1	1	0	35
TEMP	13.5	14	22	4	3.5	34
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	6
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	127.2	109	227	56	69.8	6
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	600.4	600	810	430	92.0	35
TDS (mg/L)	356.2	343	557	158	155.7	6
SULFATE (mg/L)	130.5	110	290	10	101.0	6
HARDNESS	242	219	356	190	62.4	6
CHLORIDE	22.3	22	25	21	1.5	6

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.65 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0003912 Sampling 11/00—12/00**

MPNO 0003912	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	---	---	0	0	---	0
DEPTH	9.25	9	10	9	0.5	4
PH	7.1	7	7.6	6.8	0.38	4
Fe (mg/L)	15.8	15.8	15.8	15.8	---	1
Mn (mg/L)	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	---	1
TSS (mg/L)	36	36	36	36	---	1
APP	2.5	2	5	1	1.7	4
TEMP	12.5	13	13	11	1	4
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	---	1
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	55	55	55	55	---	1
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	345	270	690	150	241.9	4
TDS (mg/L)	82	82	82	82	---	1
SULFATE (mg/L)	127	127	127	127	---	1
HARDNESS	130	130	130	130	---	1
CHLORIDE	4	4	4	4	---	1

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.66 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 0003913 Sampling 11/00—12/00

MPNO 0003913	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	0.3	0	1	0	0.6	3
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	---	1
Fe (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	---	1
Mn (mg/L)	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	---	1
TSS (mg/L)	2	2	2	2	---	1
APP	1	1	1	1	---	1
TEMP	7	7	7	7	---	1
ACIDITY (mg/L)	15	15	15	15	---	1
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	5	5	5	5	---	1
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	890	890	890	890	---	1
TDS (mg/L)	684	684	684	684	---	1
SULFATE (mg/L)	331	331	331	331	---	1
HARDNESS	476	476	476	476	---	1
CHLORIDE	6	6	6	6	---	1

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.67 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3905026 Sampling 1/95—10/00**

MPNO 3905026	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	---	---	0	0	0	0
DEPTH	8.1	8	9	7	0.6	24
PH	6.98	7	7.7	6.3	0.40	24
Fe (mg/L)	4.2	0.2	29	0	8.1	24
Mn (mg/L)	0.19	0.1	0.9	0	0.23	24
TSS (mg/L)	23.9	9	142	2	35.6	24
APP	1	1	1	1	0	24
TEMP	13.4	14	19	7	3.7	24
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	24
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	279.4	296	420	134	84.7	24
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	700.4	740	1270	20	280.2	24
TDS (mg/L)	486.6	494	938	186	181.1	24
SULFATE (mg/L)	74.5	57.5	171	18	43.3	24
HARDNESS	223.3	236	284	110	43.3	24
CHLORIDE	6.6	5.5	18	3	3.4	24

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.68 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3905038 Sampling 1/95—10/00

MPNO 3905038	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	21.3	13.5	65	0	18.4	24
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.33	7.3	7.8	6.9	0.25	23
Fe (mg/L)	0.64	0.5	1.8	0	0.50	23
Mn (mg/L)	0.95	1	1.9	0.2	0.55	23
TSS (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
APP	1	1	1	1	0	23
TEMP	12.8	14	21	4	5.1	23
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	23
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	365.3	365	503	278	52.7	23
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	1865.7	1930	2350	800	397.0	23
TDS (mg/L)	1687.7	1544	5561	873	883.6	23
SULFATE (mg/L)	523.1	555	915	100	174.0	23
HARDNESS	---	---	0	0	---	0
CHLORIDE	22.4	20	55	11	10.8	23

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.69 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3943283 Sampling 1/95—12/00**

MPNO 3943283	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	---	---	0	0	---	0
DEPTH	6.8	7	9	0	1.1	147
PH	6.71	6.75	7.6	5.6	0.30	146
Fe (mg/L)	24.05	19.05	80.4	3.4	16.65	24
Mn (mg/L)	0.61	0.6	0.9	0.3	0.17	24
TSS (mg/L)	57.6	45	336	10	64.3	24
APP	1.0	1	2	1	0.1	146
TEMP	13.2	13.5	20	5	4.1	144
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	24
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	206.6	205.5	320	125	41.6	24
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	417.2	410	1300	0	134.4	146
TDS (mg/L)	301.6	281.5	616	79	113.9	24
SULFATE (mg/L)	48.9	40.5	133	13	28.9	24
HARDNESS	248.5	241	620	115	93.8	24
CHLORIDE	5.8	5	16	3	3.2	24

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.70 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3945026 Sampling 1/95—10/00

MPNO 3945026	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	---	---	0	0	---	0
DEPTH	8.1	8	9	7	0.6	24
PH	6.98	7	7.7	6.3	0.40	24
Fe (mg/L)	4.2	0.2	29	0	8.1	24
Mn (mg/L)	0.19	0.1	0.9	0	0.23	24
TSS (mg/L)	23.9	9	142	2	35.6	24
APP	1	1	1	1	0	24
TEMP	13.4	14	19	7	3.7	24
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	24
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	279.4	296	420	134	84.7	24
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	700.4	740	1270	20	280.2	24
TDS (mg/L)	486.6	494	938	186	181.1	24
SULFATE (mg/L)	74.5	57.5	171	18	43.3	24
HARDNESS	223.3	236	284	110	43.3	24
CHLORIDE	6.6	5.5	18	3	3.4	24

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.71 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3945039 Sampling 1/95—12/00**

MPNO 3945039	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	---	---	0	0	---	0
DEPTH	4.2	4	36	0	2.9	141
PH	7.14	7.1	8.2	4	0.50	143
Fe (mg/L)	6.45	3.3	25.5	0.6	6.68	24
Mn (mg/L)	0.3	0.2	1	0	0.3	24
TSS (mg/L)	23.6	16.5	124	4	25.7	22
APP	1.1	1	2	1	0.2	140
TEMP	13.5	14	21	2	4.1	141
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	24
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	113.0	76	361	33	85.1	24
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	256.8	200	860	100	147.2	143
TDS (mg/L)	125.5	105	520	52	90.2	24
SULFATE (mg/L)	27.0	24.5	76	4	19.0	24
HARDNESS	104.8	82	224	66	48.3	22
CHLORIDE	7.3	6	16	3	3.4	24

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.72 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3945040 Sampling 1/95—12/00

MPNO 3945040	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	---	---	0	0	---	0
DEPTH	6.8	7	70	0	5.6	142
PH	6.78	6.8	7.6	5.2	0.37	138
Fe (mg/L)	50.81	46.35	162	1.9	33.41	22
Mn (mg/L)	1.2	0.95	2.8	0.1	0.68	22
TSS (mg/L)	96.9	97	142	46	29.7	22
APP	1.1	1	3	1	0.34	138
TEMP	13.2	13	21	3	3.7	136
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	22
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	120.5	118.5	217	53	35.7	22
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	354.0	340	850	180	96.5	138
TDS (mg/L)	284.0	209	1528	145	283.0	22
SULFATE (mg/L)	88.3	84	183	35	41.6	22
HARDNESS	176.4	159	498	110	82.5	22
CHLORIDE	9.2	8.5	22	5	3.8	22

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.73 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3950125 Sampling 1/95—12/00**

MPNO 3950125	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	---	---	0	0	---	0
DEPTH	4.4	7	9	0	3.7	144
PH	6.94	6.9	7.9	4.7	0.52	86
Fe (mg/L)	6.2	2.15	33.8	0.2	9.4	14
Mn (mg/L)	1.34	0.5	8	0.1	2.15	14
TSS (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
APP	1.0	1	2	1	0.1	85
TEMP	14.0	15	21	2	3.9	85
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0.9	0	13	0	3.5	14
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	194.7	209	408	9	124.2	14
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	441.2	420	1600	60	218.9	86
TDS (mg/L)	371.5	278	1595	81	379.3	14
SULFATE (mg/L)	91.9	53	507	29	122.5	14
HARDNESS	---	---	0	0	---	0
CHLORIDE	9.9	5.5	28	3	8.6	14

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.74 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3950172 Sampling 1/95—12/00

MPNO 3950172	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	18.8	15	80	0	14.7	145
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.24	7.2	8.4	6.1	0.40	132
Fe (mg/L)	0.40	0.3	1.2	0.1	0.28	22
Mn (mg/L)	0.09	0.1	0.2	0	0.06	22
TSS (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
APP	1	1	1	1	0	131
TEMP	12.5	12	22	2	5.5	130
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	22
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	49.3	51	76	10	19.0	22
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	838.5	890	1900	50	380.5	132
TDS (mg/L)	679	761.5	1119	57	307.3	22
SULFATE (mg/L)	403.3	448.5	788	14	197.1	22
HARDNESS	---	---	0	0	---	0
CHLORIDE	5.7	5	12	3	2.1	22

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.75 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3950173 Sampling 1/95—12/00**

MPNO 3950173	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	29.7	27.5	150	2	22.3	144
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.26	7.3	8.5	6.3	0.39	145
Fe (mg/L)	0.30	0.25	1.1	0.1	0.23	24
Mn (mg/L)	0.1	0.1	0.6	0	0.12	24
TSS (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
APP	1.0	1	2	1	0.1	143
TEMP	12.8	12	24	2	5.5	142
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	24
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	61.8	55.5	194	29	32.3	24
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	905.0	940	1800	0	343.1	145
TDS (mg/L)	805.4	800	1324	161	307.2	24
SULFATE (mg/L)	420	448	828	89	156.0	24
HARDNESS	---	---	0	0	---	0
CHLORIDE	6.7	6	16	3	3.2	24

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.76 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3950195 Sampling 1/95—12/00

MPNO 3950195	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	0	0	0	0	0	120
DEPTH	9.4	10	16	0	4.1	48
PH	6.68	6.7	7.2	6	0.33	42
Fe (mg/L)	0.68	0.1	2.2	0.1	0.91	8
Mn (mg/L)	0.24	0.1	0.9	0.1	0.28	8
TSS (mg/L)	57.5	10	360	1	123.4	8
APP	2.2	2	5	1	1.3	42
TEMP	14.2	13.5	24	9	4.3	42
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	8
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	110	113	135	77	23.2	8
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	729.8	670	1350	480	195.4	42
TDS (mg/L)	536.8	583	890	88	296.3	8
SULFATE (mg/L)	207	195	450	16	129.7	8
HARDNESS	358.1	395.5	623	48	192.1	8
CHLORIDE	15.6	15.5	25	8	5.9	8

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.77 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3950196 Sampling 1/95—12/00**

MPNO 3950196	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	0	0	0	0	0	110
DEPTH	10.9	11	18	0	4.0	83
PH	6.58	6.6	7.3	5.6	0.40	77
Fe (mg/L)	1.82	0.55	9.5	0.1	2.98	14
Mn (mg/L)	1.87	0.9	7.2	0.1	2.37	14
TSS (mg/L)	85.3	32	746	1	192.5	14
APP	1.7	1.5	5	1	0.9	74
TEMP	15.1	15	24	8	4.3	77
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	14
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	125.8	96	378	25	94.8	14
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	1042.7	1010	2200	470	309.2	77
TDS (mg/L)	786.7	815	1494	80	440.0	14
SULFATE (mg/L)	315	280	600	35	173.1	14
HARDNESS	518.8	576	856	92	206.2	14
CHLORIDE	20.9	21.5	33	11	6.5	14

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.78 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3950197 Sampling 11/97—6/00

MPNO 3950197	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	0.2	0	13	0	1.6	63
DEPTH	10.8	11	12	10	0.7	15
PH	7.12	7.15	7.3	6.8	0.14	16
Fe (mg/L)	0.77	0.2	2	0.1	1.07	3
Mn (mg/L)	0.43	0.1	1.1	0.1	0.58	3
TSS (mg/L)	196	134	390	64	171.6	3
APP	2.9	3	5	2	1.1	16
TEMP	18.1	19.5	23	10	4.6	16
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	3
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	158.3	151	213	111	51.4	3
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	636.9	680	760	60	164.0	16
TDS (mg/L)	579.3	646	676	416	142.2	3
SULFATE (mg/L)	235	225	265	215	26.5	3
HARDNESS	405	377	482	356	67.5	3
CHLORIDE	23	23	26	20	3	3

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.79 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3952433 Sampling 1/95—12/00**

MPNO 3952433	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	7.6	4.5	40	1	9.2	66
DEPTH	0	0	0	0	0	79
PH	7.43	7.4	8.5	6.3	0.52	66
Fe (mg/L)	0.24	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.14	12
Mn (mg/L)	0.05	0.05	0.1	0	0.05	12
TSS (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
APP	1	1	1	1	0	66
TEMP	10.4	9	23	3	5.2	64
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	12
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	101	58.5	356	12	117.5	12
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	379	255	1410	60	319.1	66
TDS (mg/L)	260.9	190	580	53	197.9	12
SULFATE (mg/L)	96.5	46	372	15	106.9	12
HARDNESS	---	---	0	0	---	0
CHLORIDE	6.8	5	15	2	4.2	12

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.80 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3952436 Sampling 1/95—12/00

MPNO 3952436	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	---	---	0	0	---	0
DEPTH	2.4	0	9	0	3.6	143
PH	6.83	6.9	8.2	4.3	0.63	46
Fe (mg/L)	13.09	0.6	87.2	0.2	28.92	9
Mn (mg/L)	1.88	0.1	15.2	0	5.00	9
TSS (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
APP	1	1	1	1	0	46
TEMP	12.9	12	21	6	5.0	46
ACIDITY (mg/L)	26.33333	0	237	0	79	9
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	90.3	83	227	0	69.8	9
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	424.5	324	1600	0	274.7	46
TDS (mg/L)	438.6	233	1396	124	423.2	9
SULFATE (mg/L)	106.3	55	440	11	132.1	9
HARDNESS	---	---	0	0	---	0
CHLORIDE	5.2	4	8	3	2.0	9

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements**Table 3.81 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3955027 Sampling 1/95—10/00**

MPNO 3955027	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	3.8	4	6	2	1.5	24
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.25	7.15	8	6.8	0.36	24
Fe (mg/L)	0.22	0.2	0.7	0	0.18	24
Mn (mg/L)	0.13	0.1	1.4	0	0.28	24
TSS (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
APP	1	1	1	1	0	24
TEMP	13.3	14	20	4	4.4	24
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	24
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	310.3	324.5	483	64	93.9	24
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	778.8	755	1640	370	268.3	24
TDS (mg/L)	516.6	507	1185	185	182.9	24
SULFATE (mg/L)	112.7	91.5	499	45	92.3	24
HARDNESS	---	---	0	0	---	0
CHLORIDE	7.2	5.5	14	3	3.3	24

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

Table 3.82 Groundwater Data for Monitoring Station MPNO 3955043 Sampling 1/95—10/00

MPNO 3955043	Mean	Median	Max	Min	SD¹	N²
FLOW	8	0	50	0	13.6	24
DEPTH	---	---	0	0	---	0
PH	7.45	7.4	8.3	7	0.36	10
Fe (mg/L)	0.74	0.5	2.7	0.1	0.73	10
Mn (mg/L)	0.76	0.65	1.7	0.1	0.69	10
TSS (mg/L)	---	---	0	0	---	0
APP	1	1	1	1	0	10
TEMP	12.7	13	21	3	5.8	10
ACIDITY (mg/L)	0	0	0	0	0	10
ALKALINITY (mg/L)	233.4	262	440	52	140.0	10
CONDUCTIVITY (µmhos/cm)	1545	1430	2600	710	684.4	10
TDS (mg/L)	1214.9	1132.5	1851	734	460.1	10
SULFATE (mg/L)	435.5	390.5	744	130	189.7	10
HARDNESS	---	---	0	0	---	0
CHLORIDE	19.5	14	50	5	15.4	10

¹SD: standard deviation, ²N: number of sample measurements

4. MODELING PROCEDURE: LINKING THE SOURCES TO THE ENDPOINT

Establishing the relationship between in-stream water quality and the source loadings is a critical component of TMDL development. It allows for the evaluation of management options that will achieve the desired water quality endpoint. In the development of a TMDL for the Dumps Creek Watershed, the relationship was defined through computer modeling based on data collected throughout the watershed. Monitored flow and water quality data were then used to verify that the relationships developed through modeling were accurate. In this section, the selection of modeling tools, parameter development, calibration, and model application are discussed.

4.1 Modeling Framework Selection

As discussed in section 1.4, the USGS Hydrologic Simulation Program - Fortran (HSPF) water quality model and appropriate biometric models developed by MapTech were selected as the modeling framework to simulate existing conditions and to perform TMDL allocations. The HSPF model is a continuous simulation model that can account for NPS pollutants in runoff, as well as pollutants entering the flow channel from point sources. In establishing the existing and allocation conditions, seasonal variations in hydrology, climatic conditions, and watershed activities were explicitly accounted for in the model. The use of HSPF allowed consideration of seasonal aspects of precipitation patterns within the watershed.

The stream segment within each subwatershed is simulated as a single reach of open channel, referred to as a RCHRES. Water and pollutants from pervious and impervious land segments (PERLNDs and IMPLNDs) are transported to the RCHRES using mass links. Mass links are also used to connect the modeled RCHRES segments in the same configuration that real stream segments are found in the physical world. The same mass link principal is applied when water and pollutants are conveyed to a RCHRES via a point discharge, or water is withdrawn from a particular RCHRES.

To adequately represent the spatial variation in the watershed, the Dumps Creek drainage area was divided into 17 subwatersheds (Figure 4.1). The rationale for choosing these subwatersheds was based on the availability of water quality data, location of control structures, and the limitations of the HSPF model. Water quality data (e.g. pH, alkalinity, etc.) are available at specific locations throughout the watershed. Subwatershed outlets were chosen to coincide with these monitoring stations, since output from the model can only be obtained at the modeled subwatershed outlets. Additionally, subwatershed delineations were inserted at locations of control structures, including in-stream permitted point sources, so that discharge from these impoundments could be properly modeled, each as a unique RCHRES in the model. An implicit constraint in the HSPF model requires that the time of concentration in any subwatershed be greater than the time-step being used for the model. Given this modeling constraint and the desire to maintain a spatial distribution of watershed characteristics and associated parameters, a 15-minute modeling time-step was used. The spatial division of the watershed allowed for a more refined representation of pollutant sources, and a more realistic description of hydrologic factors in the watershed.

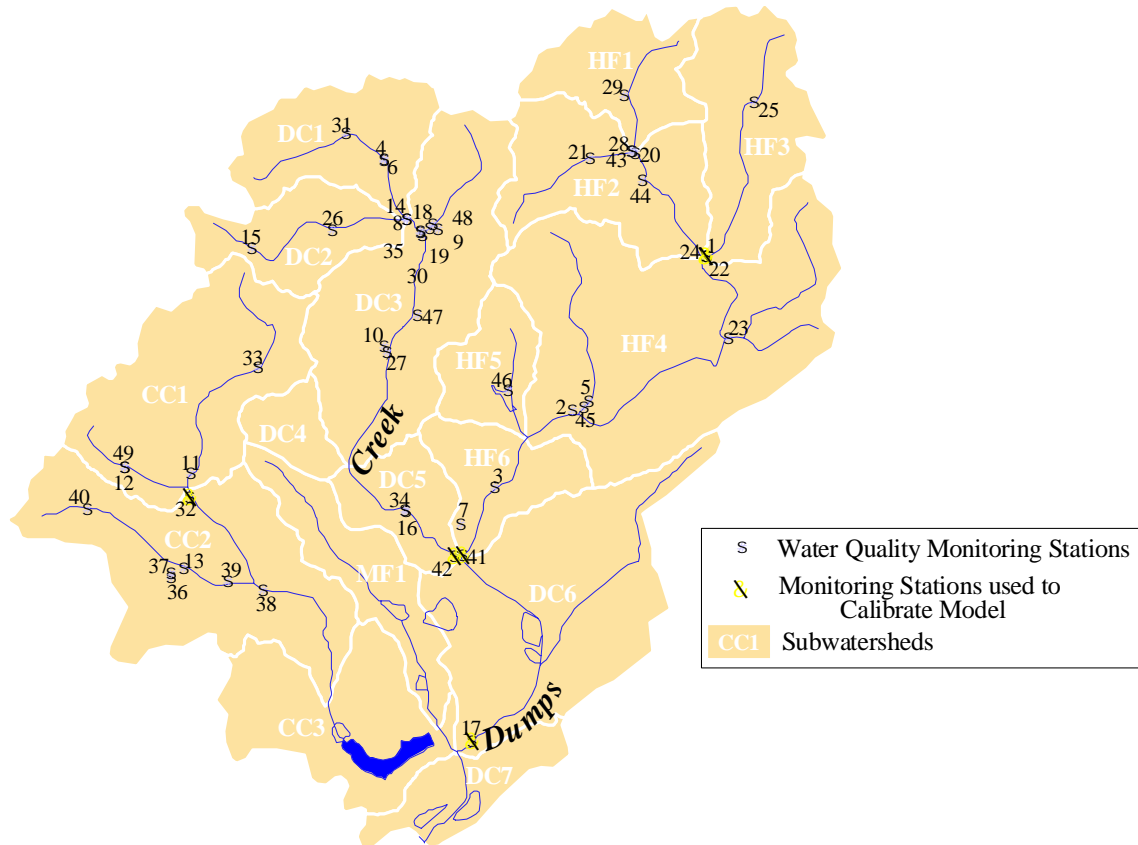


Figure 4.1 Subwatersheds delineated for modeling and location of water quality monitoring stations in the Dumps Creek Watershed.

Time-series output from HSPF was input into the biometric models developed to quantify end points (Appendix A). To be consistent with the original listing of Dumps Creek, the eight metrics used by VADEQ were modeled, and modeled metrics at target stations were compared to metrics measured at the reference stations used VADEQ to assess Dumps Creek. One of the metrics, Community Loss Index, requires knowledge of the specific families that are present at the target and reference stations. Since this level of modeled output was not available, a pseudo Community Loss Index was calculated based on Taxa Richness at the target and reference stations as follows:

$$CLI = \frac{TR_{\text{Reference}} - TR_{\text{Target}}}{\text{Minimum}(TR_{\text{Reference}}, TR_{\text{Target}})}$$

where:

CLI = Community Loss Index

$TR_{\text{Reference}}$ = Taxa Richness at the reference station

TR_{Target} = Taxa Richness at the target station

The modeled biometrics were then used to calculate metric scores and a corresponding bioassessment.

4.2 Model Setup

Within each subwatershed, up to 11 land use types were represented. Model parameters were developed for each land use to describe the hydrology of the area (e.g. average slope length) and the behavior of pollutants (e.g. concentration of sulfate in groundwater). Table 4.1 shows the different land use types and the overall area of each as modeled in the Dumps Creek Watershed. These land use types are represented in HSPF as pervious land segments (PERLNDs). Some PERLND parameters (e.g. slope length) vary with the particular subwatershed in which they are located.

Table 4.1 Spatial distribution of land use types in the Dumps Creek drainage area.

Land Use	Acreage
Active Mining	942
AML-Benches	870
AML-Disturbed	293
Developed	54
Forest	15,679
Pasture/Hay	210
Reclaimed	1,412
Spoils	494
Tailings	68
Urban/Recreational Grasses	120
Water	157

4.3 Source Representation

Both point and nonpoint sources can be represented in the model. For Dumps Creek, permitted point sources during the modeled period included discharges from control structures that collected surface runoff and/or water pumped from deep mines. The point sources within a subwatershed that discharged surface runoff were collectively modeled as a separate RCHRES, with appropriate characteristics to model the sediment trapping capacity of the structures. All runoff from active mining was assumed to be controlled by one of these structures. Discharges that were not driven by precipitation (i.e., deep-mine discharges) were modeled based on the monitored values by adding a time series of pollutant and flow inputs to the stream. Nonpoint sources were modeled as having four potential delivery pathways, delivery with sediment in surface runoff, delivery through interflow, delivery through groundwater, and delivery through direct discharge of mine seeps to the stream. Pollutants associated with sediment were modeled as being delivered at a specific ratio to the amount of sediment. Pollutants associated with interflow and/or groundwater were modeled by assigning a constant concentration for each in a particular PERLND. Much of the data used to develop the model inputs for modeling water quality

is time-dependent (e.g. existence of control structures). Depending on the timeframe of the simulation being run, the model was varied appropriately. The hydrologic landscape of the watershed was relatively stable during the modeled periods (i.e., 1995-1997 and 1998-1999). Data representing this period were used to develop the model used in this study.

4.3.1 Point Sources

4.3.1.1 Permitted Point Discharges

Seventy-four permitted point discharges were present in the watershed during the modeled period, of these 43 were known (observed) to produce flow to the watershed (Figure 4.2). These NPDES discharges are listed in Appendix C (Table C.1). Discharge volumes from control structures that collected surface runoff were calibrated using data collected in support of permit compliance. Through this calibration process, the hydraulic response of the structure was modeled. As such, minimum volumes of runoff in the ponds were required before discharge would occur. Evaporation from the ponds was dependent on surface area, which varied with depth. Pollutant loadings from the modeled ponds were dependent on the land use areas draining to the pond and the residence time in the pond. Discharges from control structures that collect and discharge water pumped from deep mines or comingled sources (i.e., both surface runoff and mine discharge) were modeled as a time series of flow and water quality constituent loads. These time series were developed based on monitored data and inserted into the appropriate subwatershed to represent the spatial distribution of the loadings along the stream channels.

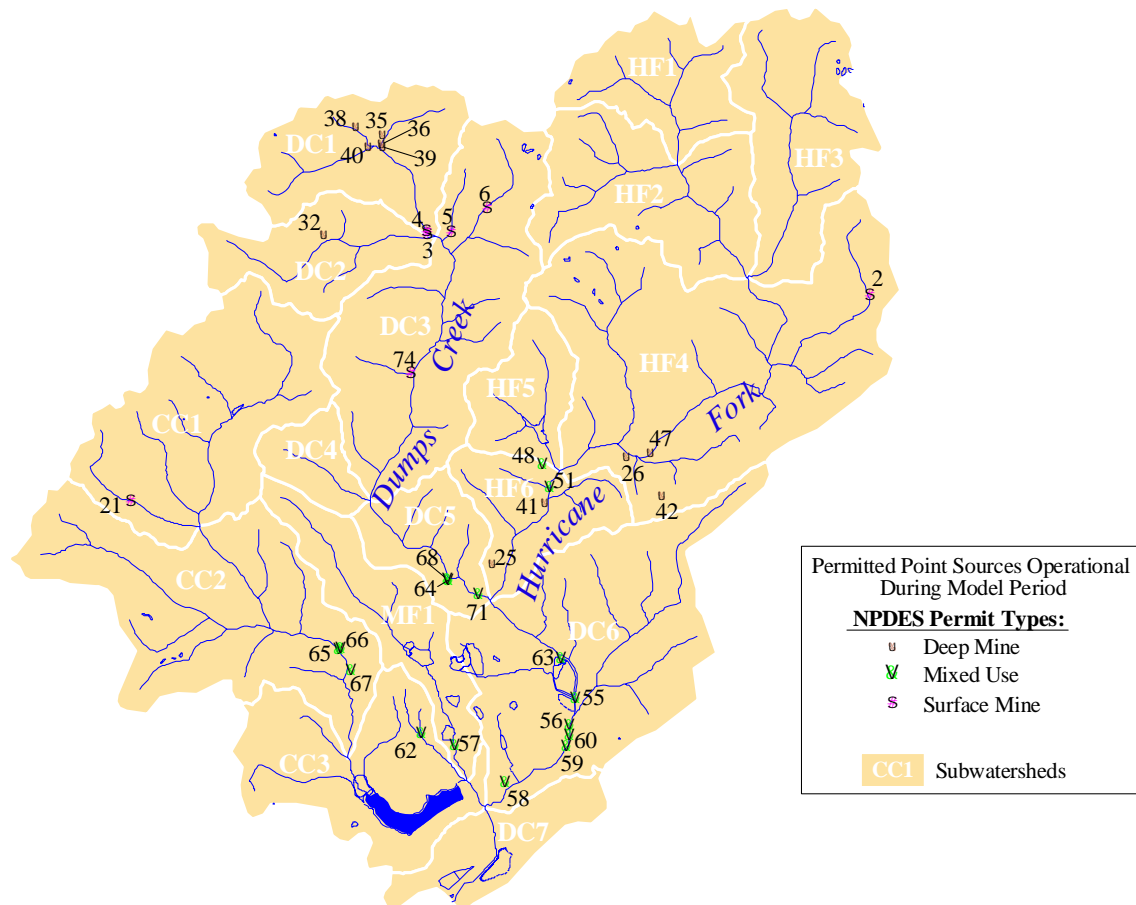


Figure 4.2 Permitted point sources, operational during the modeled period.

4.3.2 Nonpoint Sources

Nonpoint source contributions from the eleven landuse categories (Table 4.1) were assumed to be delivered to the stream flow system in surface runoff, interflow and groundwater. The HSPF model was used to link pollutants from nonpoint sources with downstream water quality. Based on the sensitivity analysis (Section 5.1), the pollutants modeled included four of the benthic stressors identified in the multi-parameter statistical model discussed in Chapter 2. These included Total Dissolved Solids (TDS), Total Suspended Solids (TSS), Sulfate, and Alkalinity. The remaining seven stressors (i.e., Total and Dissolved Manganese (Mn), Total and Dissolved Iron (Fe), Specific Conductivity, Acidity, and pH) were held at the average monitored value for calculating modeled biometrics.

4.4 Stream Characteristics

HSPF requires that each stream reach be represented by constant characteristics (e.g. stream geometry and resistance to flow). In order to determine a representative stream profile for each stream reach, cross-sections were surveyed at locations that were representative of the stream for the modeled subwatersheds (Figure 4.3). Where reaches varied widely, multiple cross-sections were measured and average values were used to describe the reach.

Most of the sections exhibited distinct flood plains with pitch and resistance to flow significantly different from that of the main channel slopes. The streambed, channel banks, and flood plains were identified. Once identified, the streambed width and slopes of channel banks and flood plains were calculated using the survey data. A representative stream profile for each surveyed cross-section was developed and consisted of a trapezoidal channel with pitch breaks at the beginning of the flood plain (Figure 4.4). With this approach, the flood plain can be represented differently from the streambed. To represent the entire reach, profile data collected at each end of the reach were averaged.

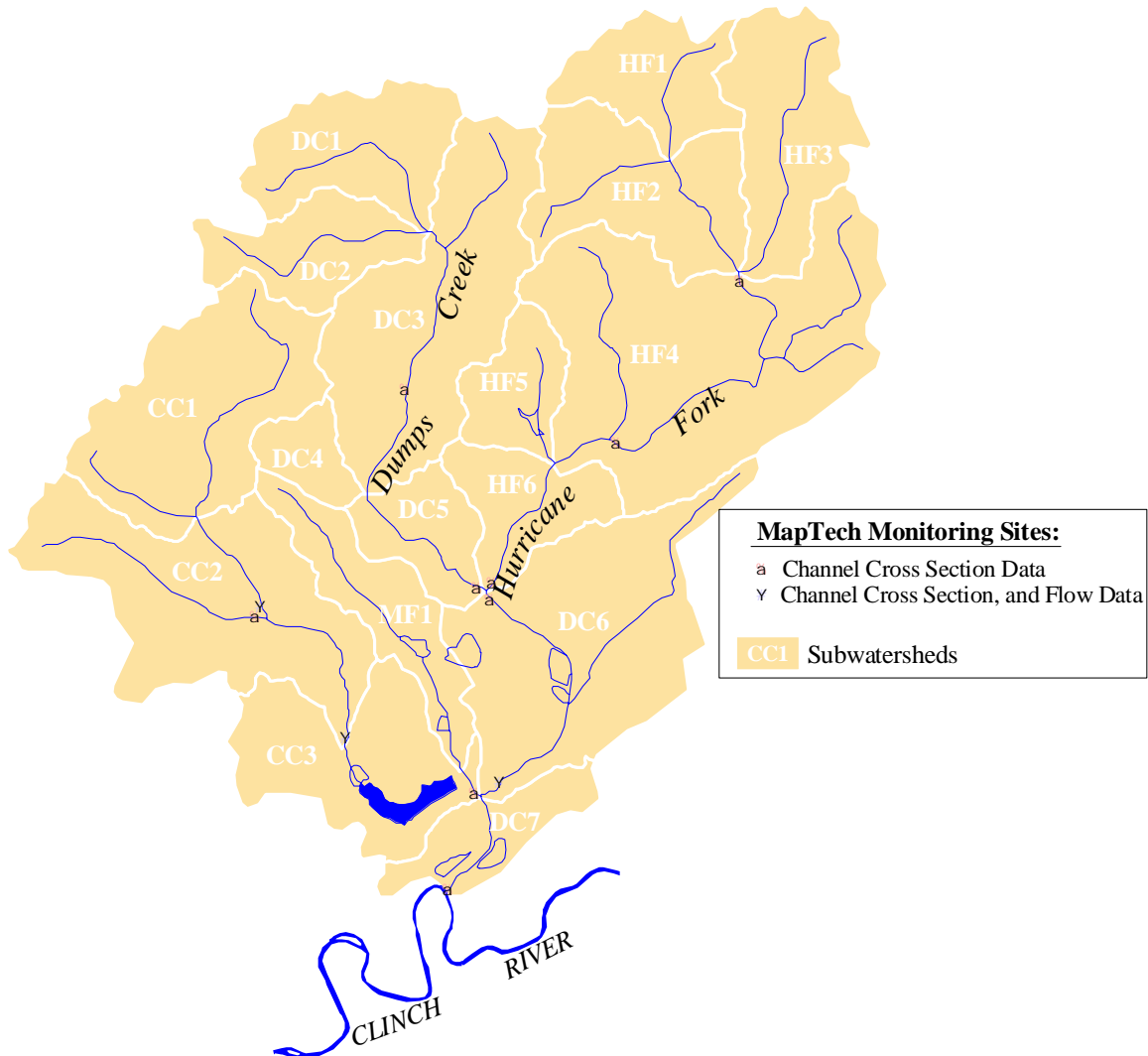


Figure 4.3 Location of MapTech monitoring locations in Dumps Creek

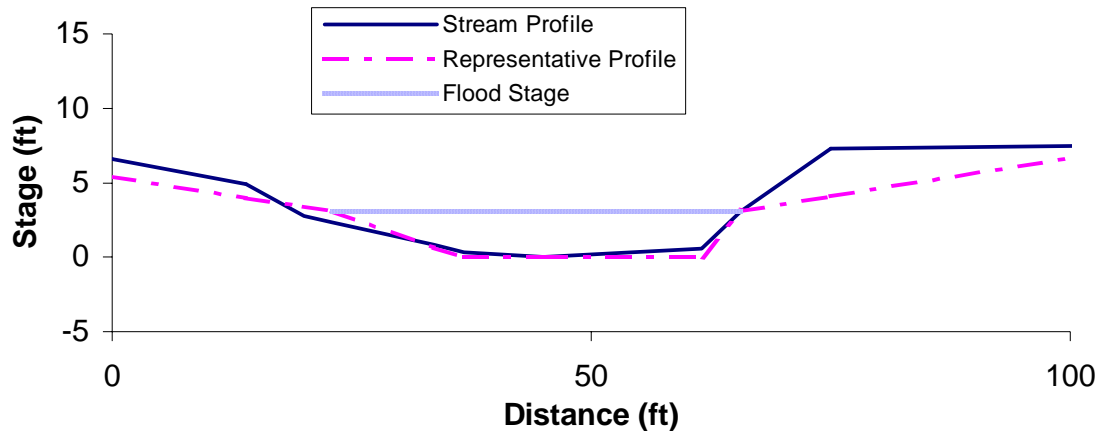


Figure 4.4 Stream profile representation in HSPF.

Conveyance was used to facilitate the calculation of discharge in the reach with different values for resistance to flow (i.e., Manning's n) assigned to the flood plains and streambeds. The conveyance was calculated for each of the two flood plains and the main channel, then added together to obtain a total conveyance. Calculation of conveyance was performed following the procedure described by Chow (1959). The total conveyance was then multiplied by the square root of the average reach slope to obtain the discharge (ft³/s) at a given depth.

A key parameter used in the calculation of conveyance is the Manning's roughness coefficient, n . There are many ways to estimate this parameter for a section. The method first introduced by Cowan (1956) and adopted by the Soil Conservation Service (1963) was used to estimate Manning's n . This procedure involves a 6-step process of evaluating the properties of the reach, which is explained in more detail by Chow (1959). Field data describing the channel bed, bank stability, vegetation, obstructions, and other pertinent parameters was collected. Photographs were also taken of the sections while in the field. Once the field data were collected, they were used to estimate the Manning's roughness coefficient for the section observed. The pictures were compared to pictures contained in Chow (1959) for validation of the estimates of the Manning's n for each section.

The result of the field inspections of the reach sections was a set of characteristic slopes (channel sides and field plains), bed widths, heights to flood plain, and Manning's roughness coefficients. Average reach slope and reach length were obtained from GIS layers of the watershed, which included elevation from Digital Elevation Models (DEMs) and a stream-flow network digitized from USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle maps (scale 1:24,000). These data were used to derive the Hydraulic Function Tables (F-tables) used by the HSPF model (Table 4.2). The F-tables developed consist of four columns; depth (ft), area (ac), volume (ac-ft), and outflow (ft³/s). The depth represents the possible range of flow, with a maximum value beyond what would be expected for the reach. The area listed is the surface area of the stream reach or reservoir in acres. The volume corresponds to the total volume of the flow in the reach, and is reported in acre-feet. The outflow is simply the stream discharge, in cubic feet per second. The HSPF model

calculates discharge based on volume of water in the reach. For the case of impoundments that were modeled in Dumps Creek, a minimum volume was set based on design parameters of the pond. During periods of no discharge from the pond, the only pathway for removal of water from the pond was evaporation.

Table 4.2 Example of an “F-table” calculated for the HSPF Model.

DEPTH (FT)	AREA (ACRES)	VOLUME (AC-FT)	DISCH (CFS)
0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0
0.2	0.7	0.1	4.5
0.4	0.8	0.3	15.4
0.6	0.9	0.4	32.5
0.8	1.0	0.6	56.2
1.0	1.1	0.8	86.9
1.3	1.3	1.2	147.7
1.7	1.4	1.7	255.4
2.0	1.5	2.2	344.6
2.3	1.6	2.7	438.1
2.7	1.7	3.3	569.1
3.0	1.7	3.8	672.3
6.0	2.2	9.5	2009.1
9.0	2.6	16.3	4158.1
12.0	2.8	23.2	6504.6
15.0	2.9	29.6	8402.2
25.0	2.9	50.2	14745.0

4.5 Selection of Representative Modeling Period

Selection of the modeling period was based on three factors; availability of data (discharge and water quality), the degree of land-disturbing activity, and the need to represent critical hydrological conditions. Calibration is the process of comparing modeled data to observed data and making appropriate adjustments to model parameters to minimize the error between observed and simulated events. Using observed data that is reported at a shorter time-step improves this process and subsequently the performance of a time-dependent model. Validation is the process of comparing modeled data to observed data during a period of time other than that used for calibration. During validation, no adjustments are made to model parameters. The goal of validation is to assess the capability of the model in hydrologic conditions other than those used during calibration. In the case of Dumps Creek, data was sampled on a monthly basis. Flow and water quality data were available in the period from 1/1/1995 through 6/30/2000 at various locations throughout the watershed (Section 2.3.1). Based on a review of mine permit anniversary reports, it was evident that significant land-form alterations started to occur late in 1997, including the installation of two ponds in the headwaters of Dumps Creek. Because of the dynamic hydrologic conditions in the watershed in the ensuing years, the period from 1/1/1995 through 5/31/1997 was selected for the modeled period. Additionally, since there was a limited amount of data, it was determined that the

modeling effort would be more successful if all of these data were used for calibration, rather than dividing the dataset into smaller datasets for calibration and validation.

As reported in Section 2.2, assessment of aquatic health through the RBP reveals the impacts of stressors throughout a variety of hydrologic conditions, and a time period for calibration was chosen based on the overall distribution of wet and dry seasons. The mean daily precipitation for each season was calculated for the period October 1956 through September 2000. This resulted in 45 observations of precipitation for each season. The mean and variance of these observations were calculated. Next, a representative period for modeling was chosen and compared to the historical data. The period was chosen based on the criteria described above (1/1/95– 5/31/97). The mean and variance of each season in the modeled time period was then compared to the historical data (Table 4.3). This analysis showed that the period selected adequately represented the hydrologic regime of the study area, accounting for critical conditions associated with potential sources within the watershed. The resulting time period for hydrologic calibration was January 1995 through May 1997.

Table 4.3 Comparison of modeled time period to historical records.

	Precipitation (in/day)			
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer
	Historical Record (1955 - 2000)			
Mean	10.8	13.2	13.6	13.6
Variance	8.0	15.6	11.7	13.6
	Calibration Period (1/91 - 9/95)			
Mean	10.9	16.9	13.5	11.5
Variance	19.7	4.4	2.8	20.0
	P-Values			
Mean	0.478	0.004	0.486	0.218
Variance	0.098	0.243	0.210	0.242

4.6 Model Calibration Process

Calibration is performed in order to ensure that the model accurately represents the hydrologic and water quality processes in the watershed. The model's hydrologic parameters were set based on available soils, land use, and topographic data. Qualities of pollutant sources were modeled as described in chapters 3 and 4. Through calibration these parameters were adjusted within appropriate ranges until the model performance was deemed acceptable.

4.6.1 Hydrologic Calibration

Parameters that were adjusted during the hydrologic calibration represented the amount of evapotranspiration from the root zone (LZETP), the recession rates for groundwater (AGWRC) and interflow (IRC), the amount of soil moisture storage in the upper zone (UZSN) and lower zone (LZSN), the amount of interception storage (CEPSC), the infiltration capacity (INFILT), and the amount of soil water contributing to interflow (INTFW). A modeling start-up period (January 1994 - December 1994) was used to establish initial conditions.

Flow data was available at the outlet of subwatersheds HF-2, HF-3, HF-6, DC-5, and DC-6 for the hydrologic calibration. Flow reported as part of the mine-permit process was estimated. In many cases, flows recorded on Dumps Creek, downstream of Hurricane Fork, were considerably less than the sum of flows recorded as contributing to this reach (*i.e.*, Hurricane Fork and Dumps Creek, upstream from Hurricane Fork). Specifically, 66 measurements recorded monthly at each station from January 1995 to June 2000. Flows at the upstream stations were recorded on the same day, but the downstream station was generally monitored on a different day of the same month. In order to account for this offset, a moving 12-month average was calculated for the downstream station and the sum of the two upstream stations. In comparing the averaged values, less flow was recorded at the downstream station 75% of the time. Additionally, on the one date when flow was recorded at all stations, the upstream flow was recorded as almost twice that at the downstream station. No withdrawals were identified in this reach, so this discrepancy is viewed as a good indicator of potential error in the observed flow values. Estimated flows were plotted against mean-daily modeled flow values (Figures 4.5-4.9). The agreement between estimated and modeled flows was assessed, and adjustments to the model were made, as necessary, until an acceptable fit was achieved. Additionally, measured flow data, collected by MapTech as part of this study during base flow conditions, were used to assess the modeled flows.

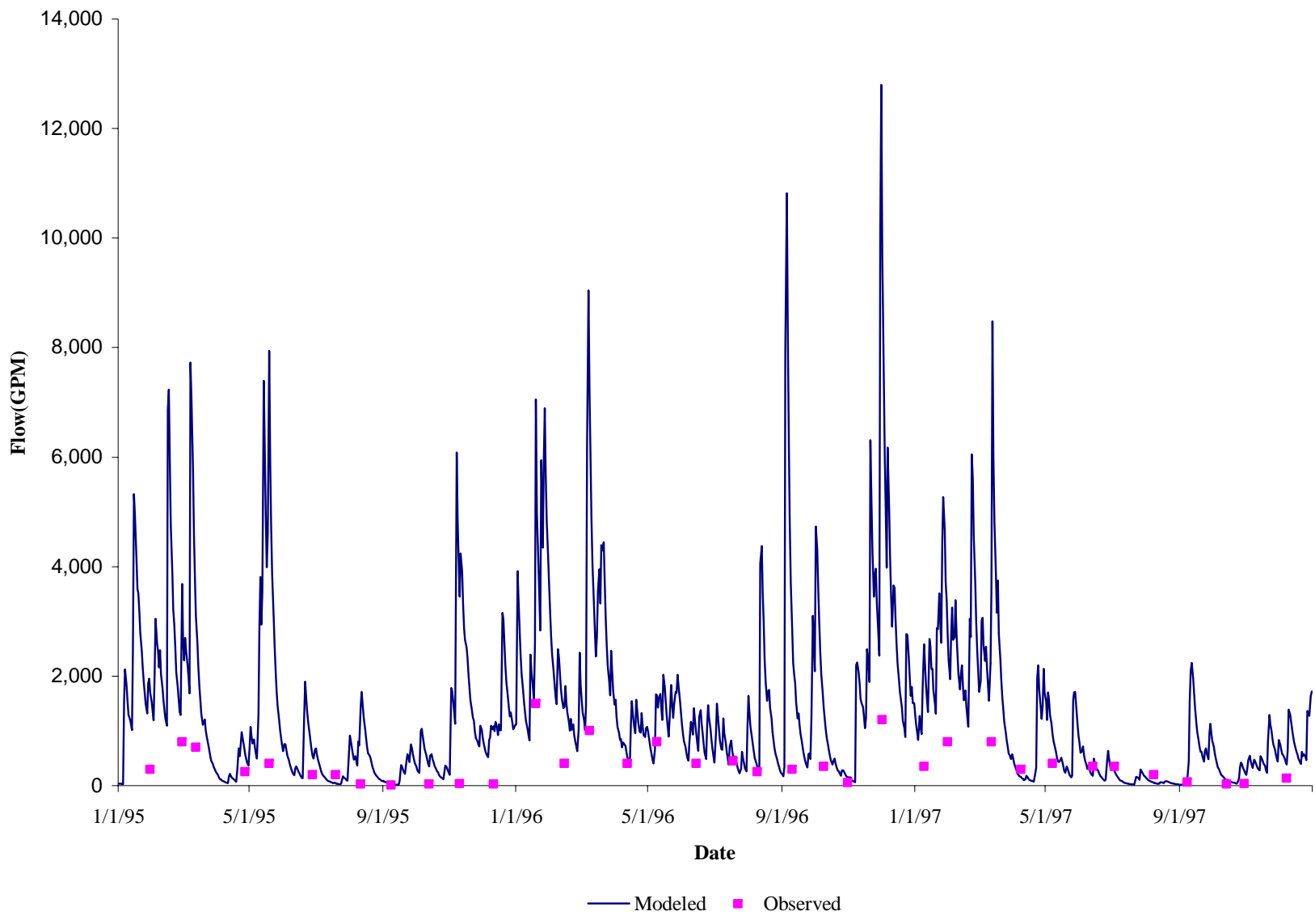


Figure 4.5 Hydrologic Calibration results for period 1/1/95 through 12/31/97 at subwatershed HF-2.

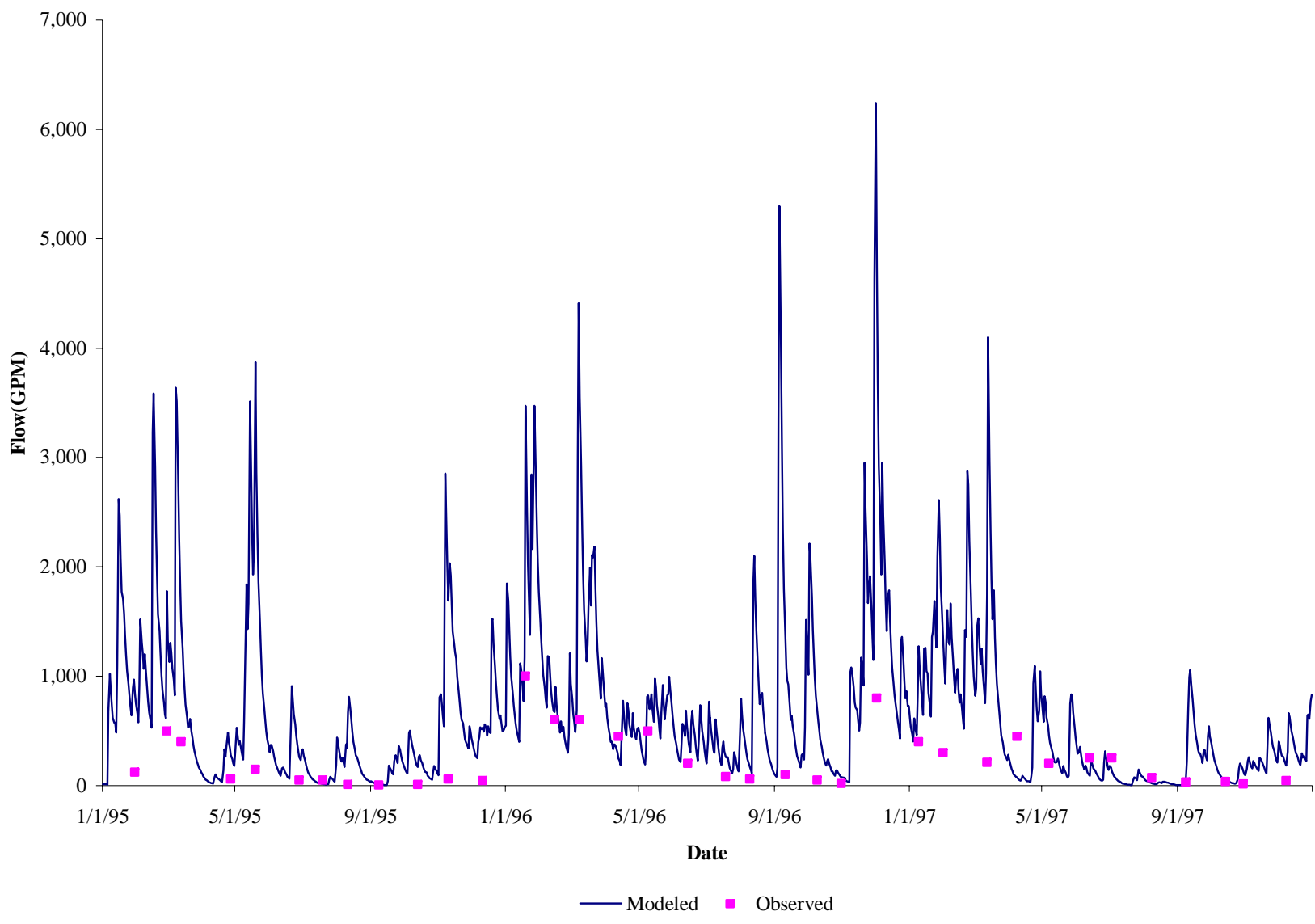


Figure 4.6 Hydrologic Calibration results for period 1/1/95 through 12/31/97 at subwatershed HF-3.

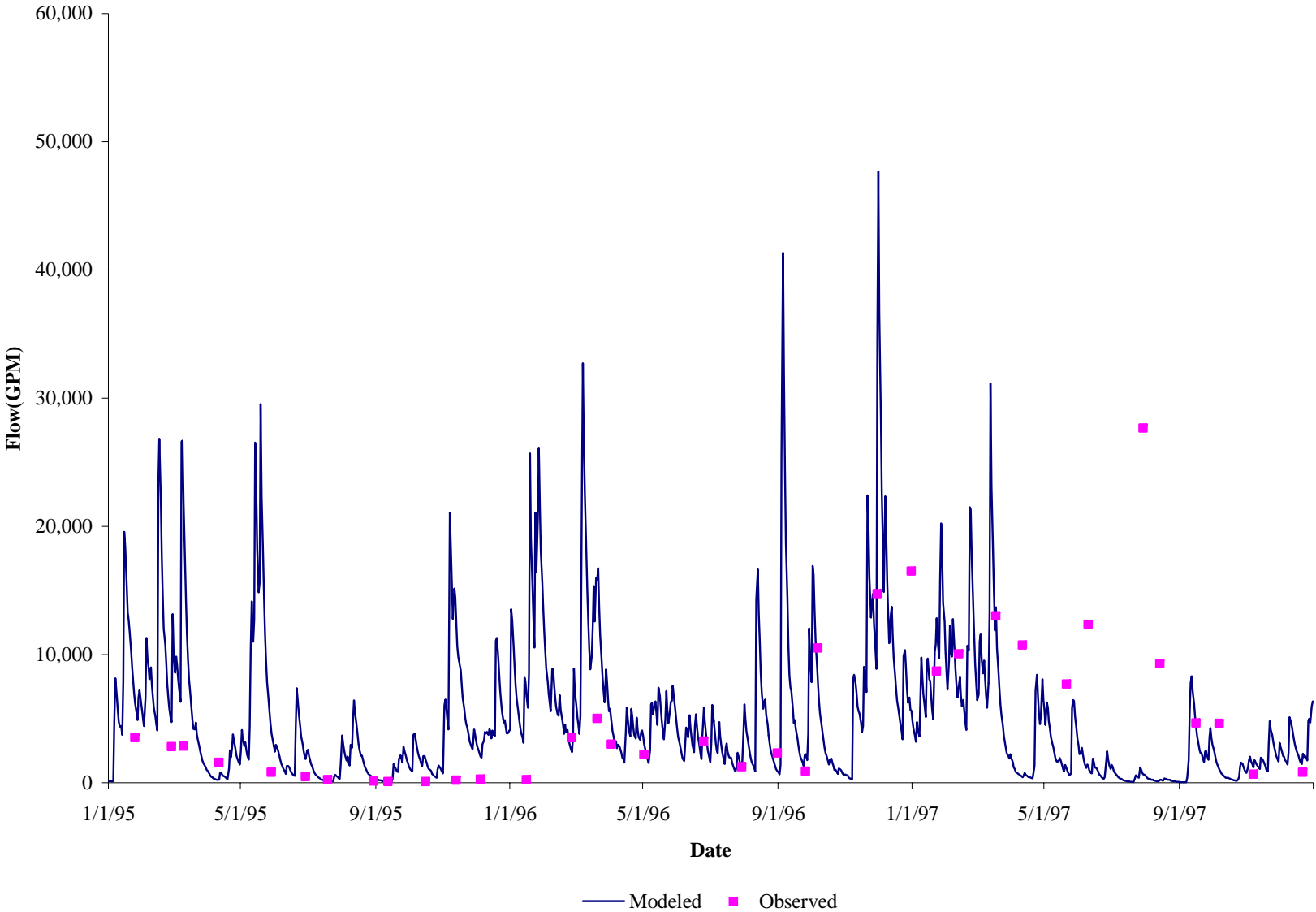


Figure 4.7 Hydrologic Calibration results for period 1/1/95 through 12/31/97 at subwatershed HF-6.

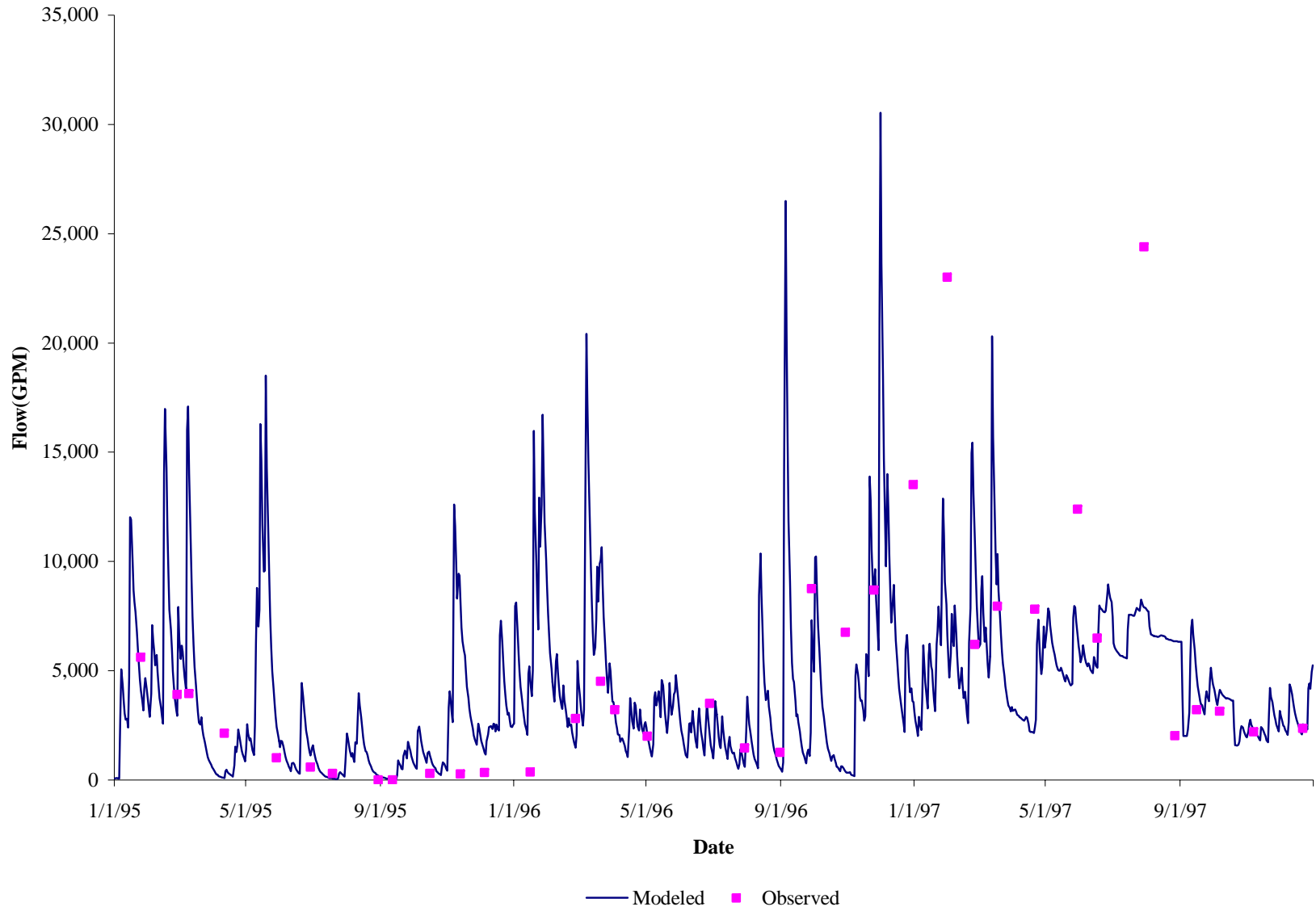


Figure 4.8 Hydrologic Calibration results for period 1/1/95 through 12/31/97 at subwatershed DC-5.

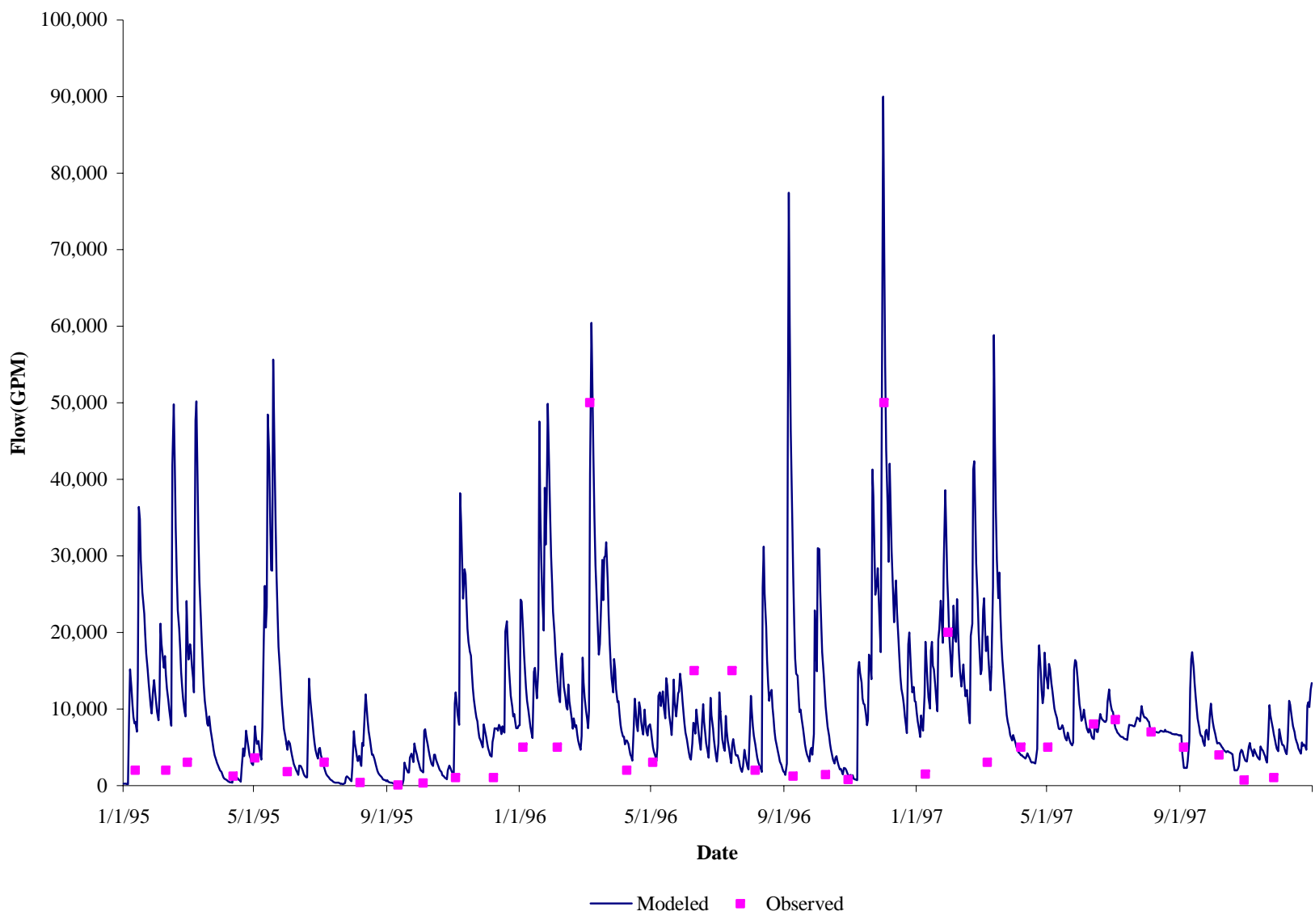


Figure 4.9 Hydrologic Calibration results for period 1/1/95 through 12/31/97 at subwatershed DC-6.

4.6.2 Water Quality Calibration

Water quality calibration is complicated by a number of factors, some of which are described here. First, water quality concentrations (e.g. TDS) are highly dependent on flow conditions. Any variability, associated with the modeling of stream flow, compounds variability in modeling water quality parameters. Second, the concentration of pollutants can be highly variable. Grab samples are collected at a specific point in time and space, while the model predicts concentrations averaged over the entire stream reach and the duration of the time-step.

With a successful hydrology calibration, the water quality model was then calibrated. The water quality calibration was conducted from 1/95 through 5/97. The process involved directly comparing modeled instream concentration to observed data and adjusting appropriate model parameters within reasonable ranges. Observed data was obtained from various sources as described in previous sections. As it was with the hydrologic calibration, the objective of the water quality calibration was to minimize the difference between observed and modeled concentrations. Results of the calibration are presented in Figures 4.10-4.13. Careful visual inspection of graphical comparisons between continuous simulation results and limited observed points was the primary tool used to guide the calibration process.

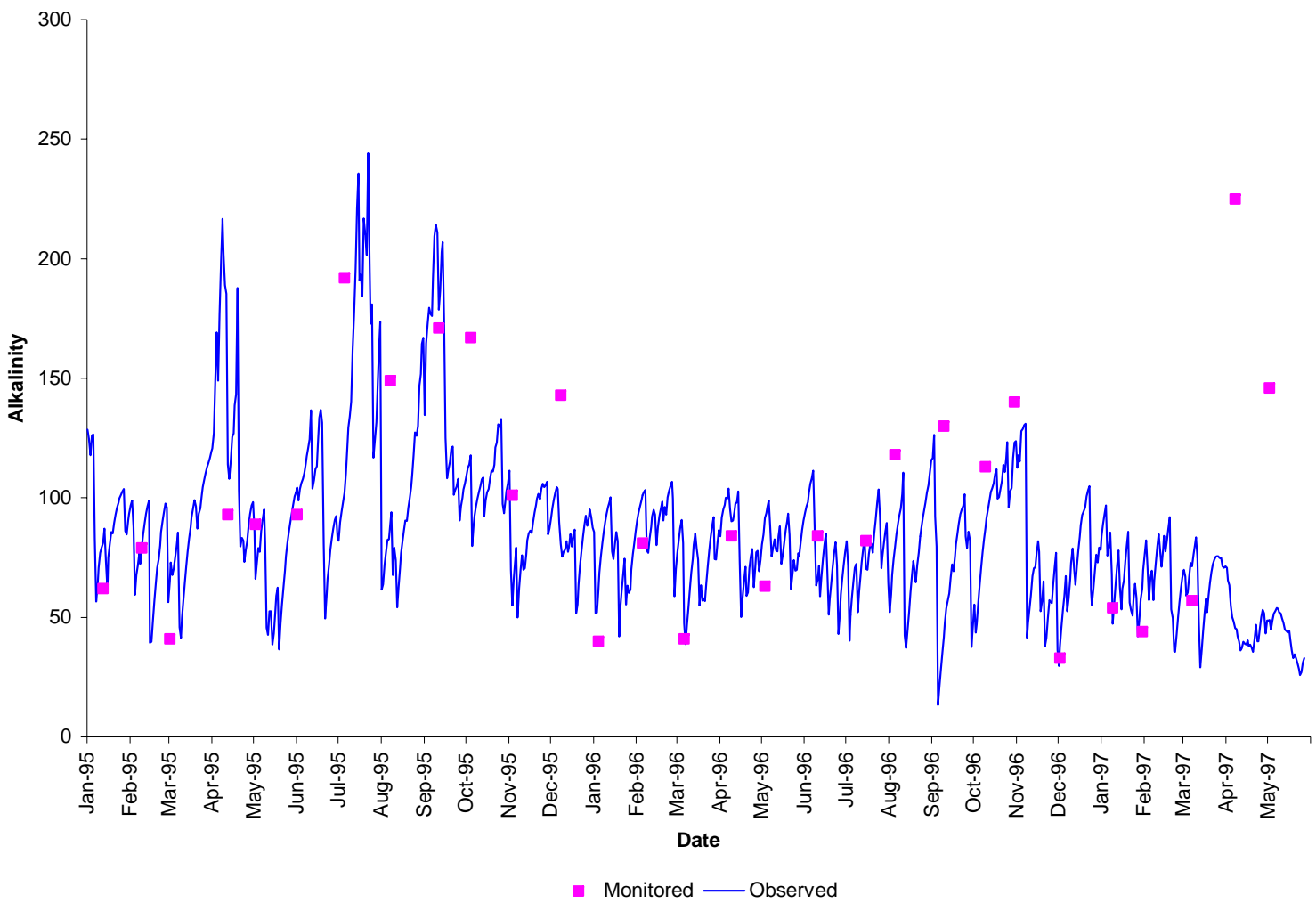


Figure 4.10 Modeled and Observed Alkalinity Levels at Subwatershed 6.

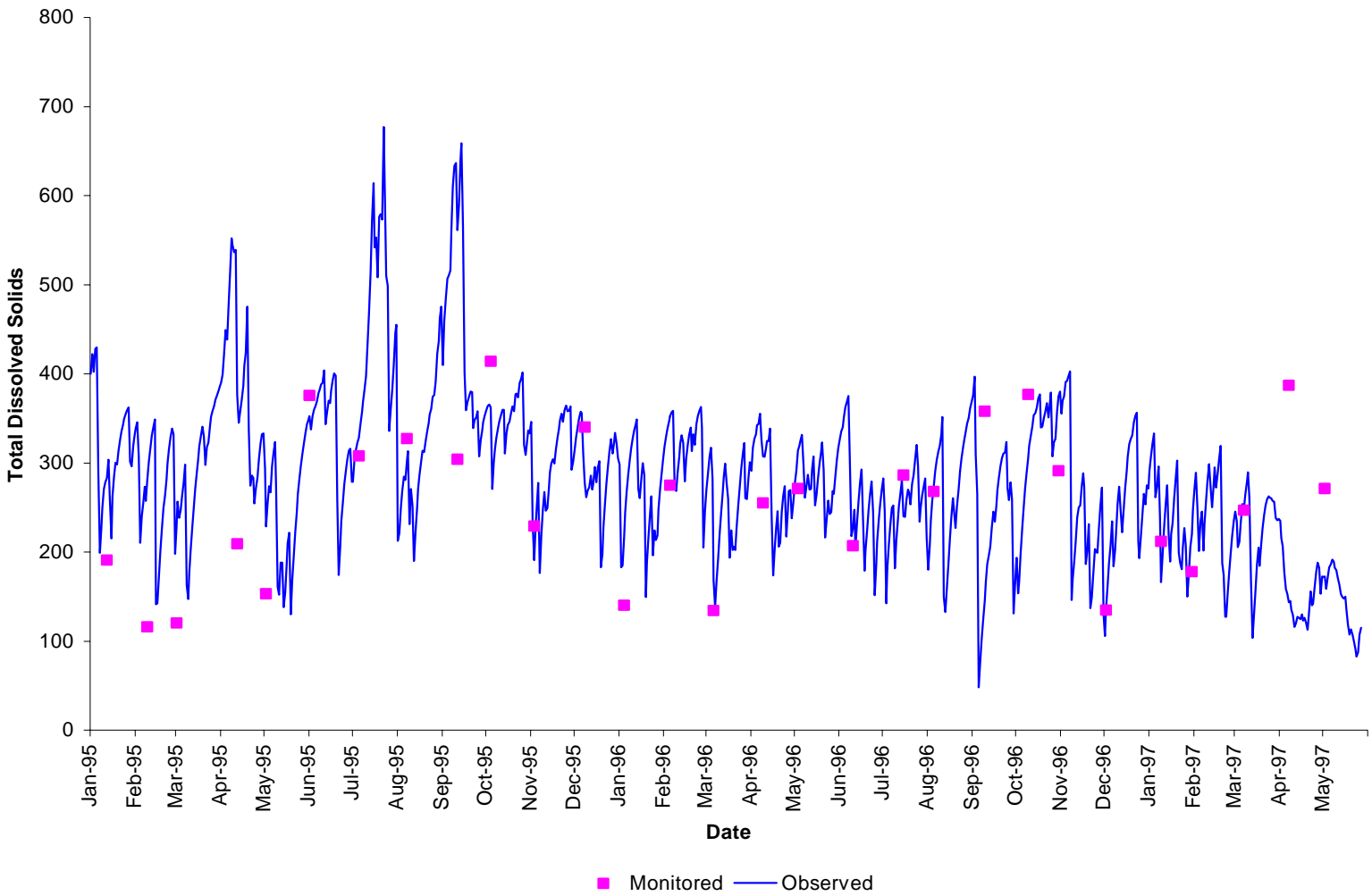


Figure 4.11 Modeled and Observed Total Dissolved Solid Levels at Subwatershed 6.

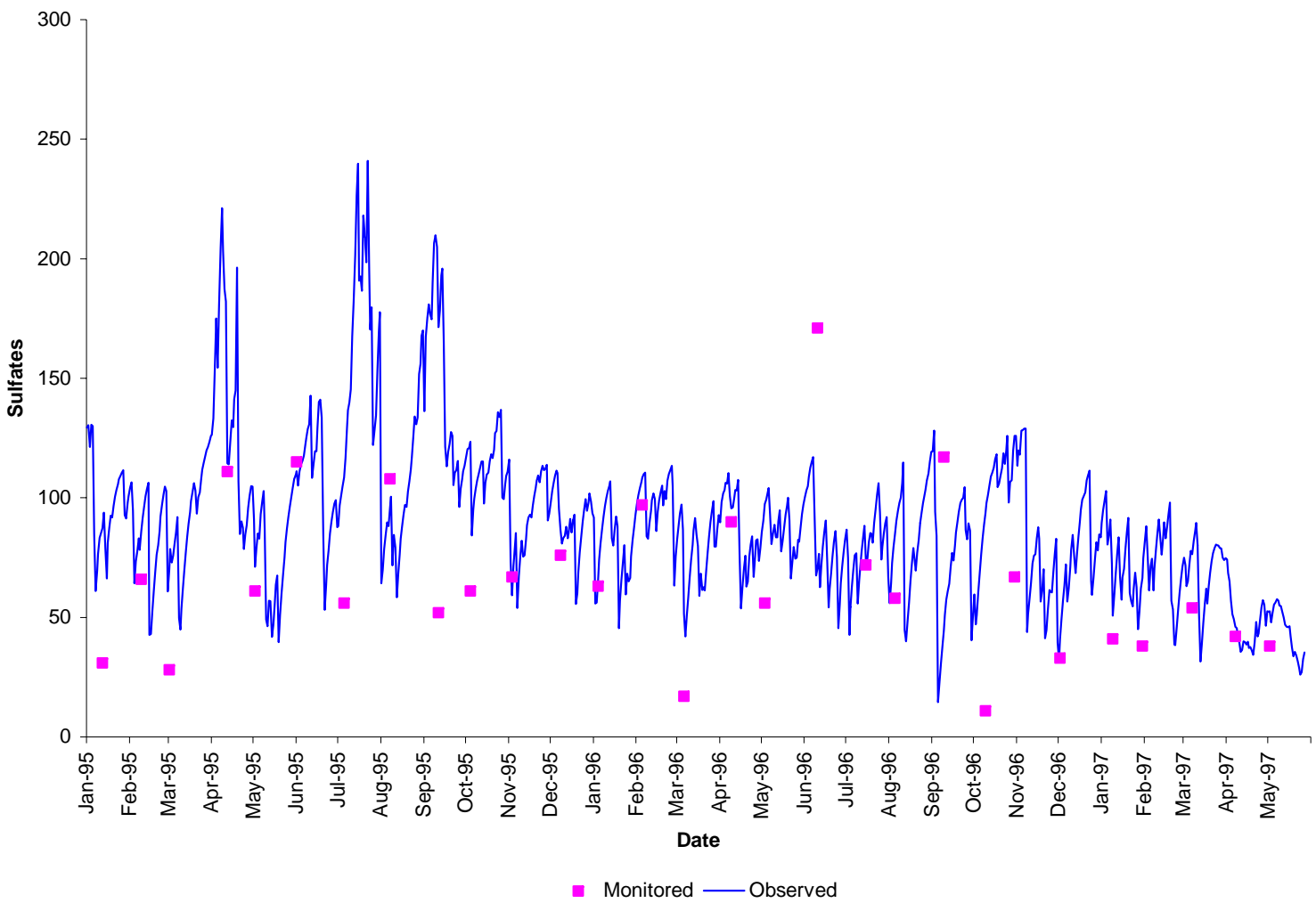


Figure 4.12 Modeled and Observed Sulfate Levels at Subwatershed 6.

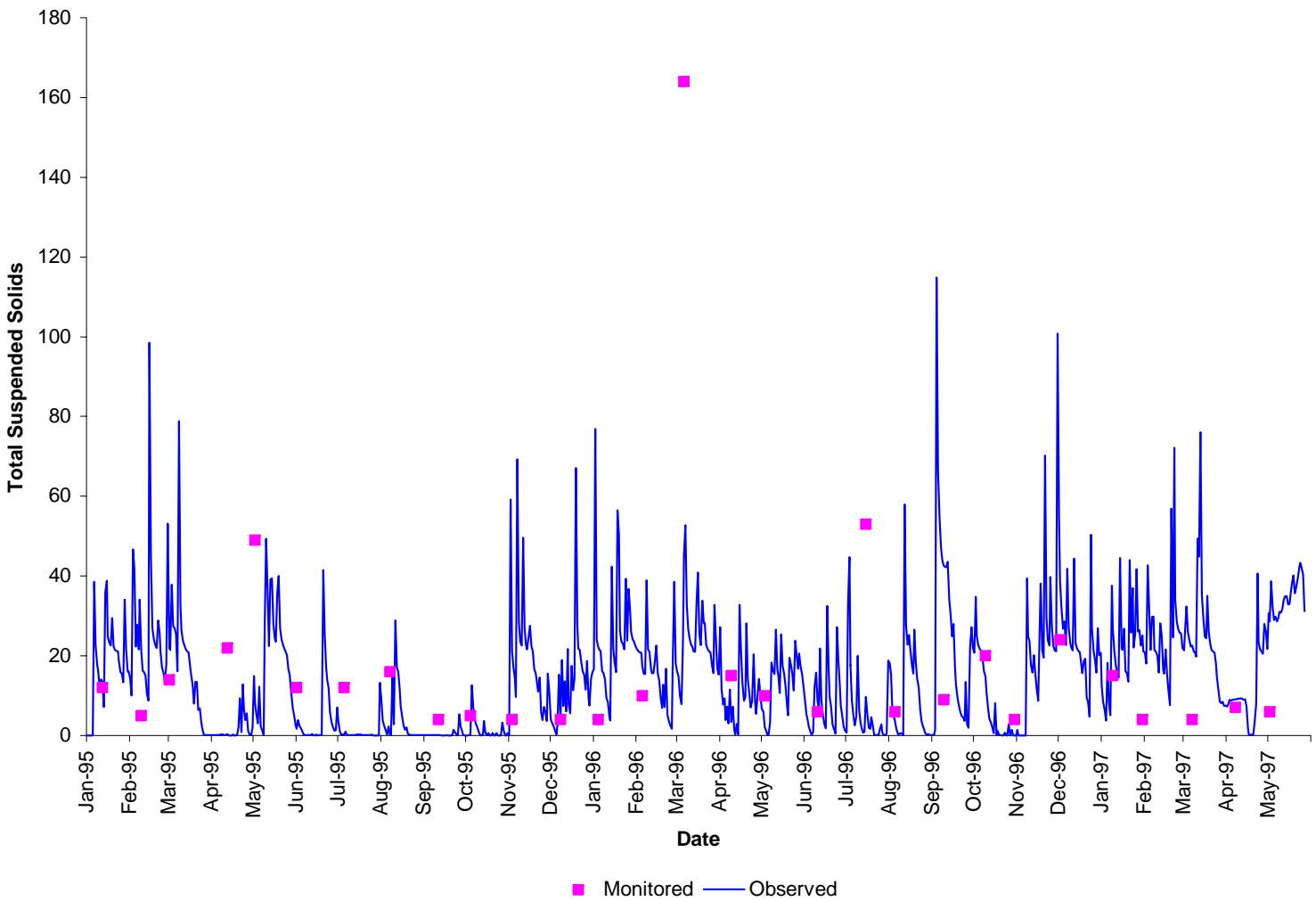


Figure 4.13 Modeled and Observed Total Suspended Solid Levels at Subwatershed 6.

4.7 Existing Conditions

For the development of the TMDL, existing conditions were set to conditions observed during the calibration period (*i.e.*, 1/95-5/97). All remaining model runs were conducted using precipitation data for the time period 1/95 through 5/97. Modeled concentrations for existing conditions were linked to the biometrics through the biometrics models. Modeled bioassessments were then calculated by comparing the modeled biometrics to average biometrics monitored at the six reference stations used historically to assess Dumps Creek. This process resulted in a time-series of existing bioassessment conditions. Figure 4.14 shows the output time-series for Subwatershed DC-6. The resulting modeled bioassessments for Dumps Creek agree with monitored bioassessments conducted in the watershed. Specifically, the station has consistently been assessed as moderately impaired, with monitored bioassessments in the modeled timeframe ranging from 63% to 75%, which is in agreement with the modeled data.

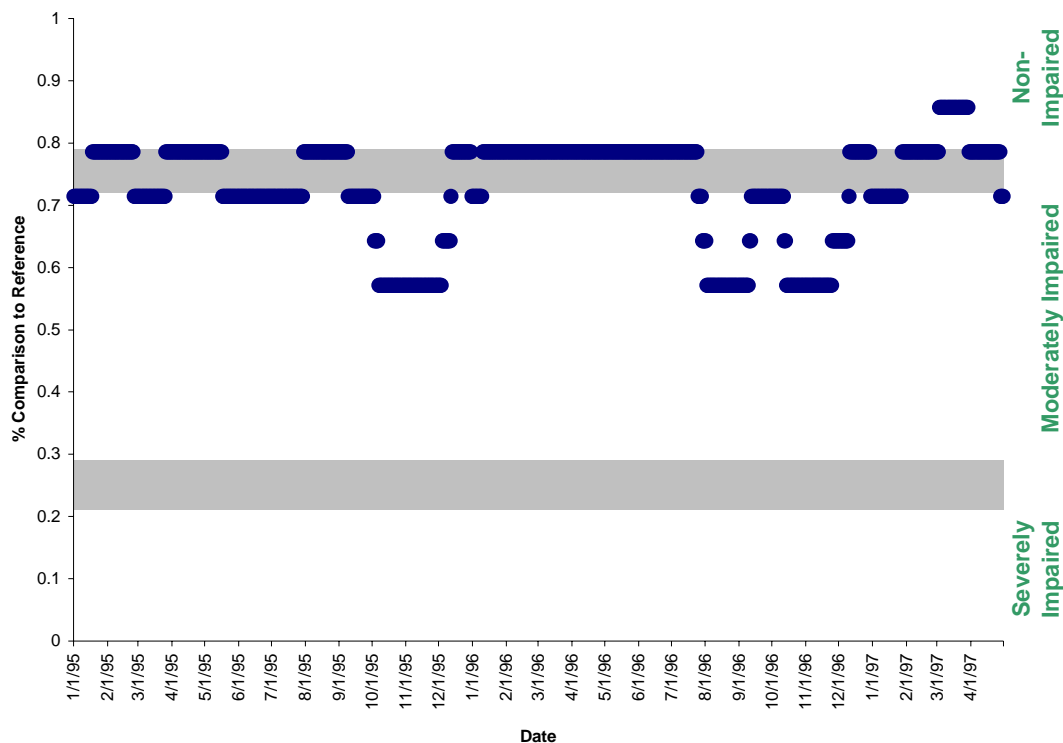


Figure 4.14 Modeled bioassessment for Subwatershed DC-6 representing existing conditions.

5. ALLOCATION

Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) consist of waste load allocations (WLAs, *i.e.*, point sources) and load allocations (LAs, *i.e.*, nonpoint sources) including natural background levels. Additionally, the TMDL must include a margin of safety (MOS) that either implicitly or explicitly accounts for the uncertainties in the process. The definition is typically denoted by the expression:

$$TMDL = WLAs + LAs + MOS$$

The TMDL becomes the amount of a pollutant that can be assimilated by the receiving waterbody and still achieve water quality standards. For general standard impairments, the TMDL is expressed in terms of loads (e.g. kg/day) or resulting concentration (e.g. mg/L). A sensitivity analysis was performed to determine the impact of uncertainties in input parameters and to identify critical stressors to the benthic macroinvertebrate community.

5.1 Sensitivity Analysis

Sensitivity analyses were conducted to assess the impact of unknown variability in source allocation (e.g., seasonal and spatial variability of background loads, and point source loads). Since the general standard is based on aquatic life rather than pollutant loadings, it was considered necessary to analyze the effect of source changes on the biological assessment (*i.e.*, benthic macroinvertebrate community).

An initial base run was performed using observed chemical data from the target station in Dumps Creek's (*i.e.*, Station 7 in Figure 2.6), and observed biometrics at NFH098.47 (*i.e.*, a reference station used to assess Dumps Creek). Perturbations to the base condition at the target station for each stressor were made and entered in the biometrics models, producing a bioassessment score relative to the reference station. Deviations from the base run are plotted in Figures 5.1 through 5.11.

These analyses focused on one stressor at a time, and thereby do not explore the cumulative impact of multiple stressor variations. However, these plots do lend insight into the expected variability of the bioassessment model for the Dumps Creek watershed. Specifically, the bioassessment score was sensitive to changes in TDS, TSS, Alkalinity, and Sulfates. While there was an indication of sensitivity to dissolved Fe, it occurred at levels (*i.e.*, <0.065 mg/L) that were not viewed as attainable through implementation efforts.

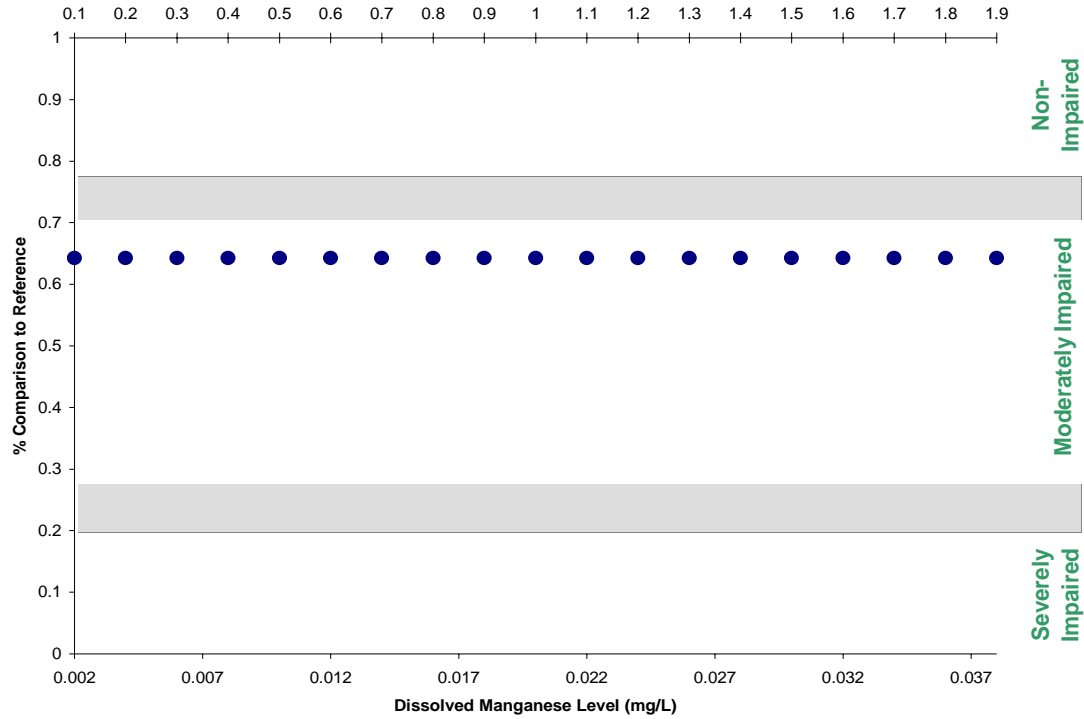


Figure 5.1 Bioassessment response to change in Dissolved Manganese level (mg/L)

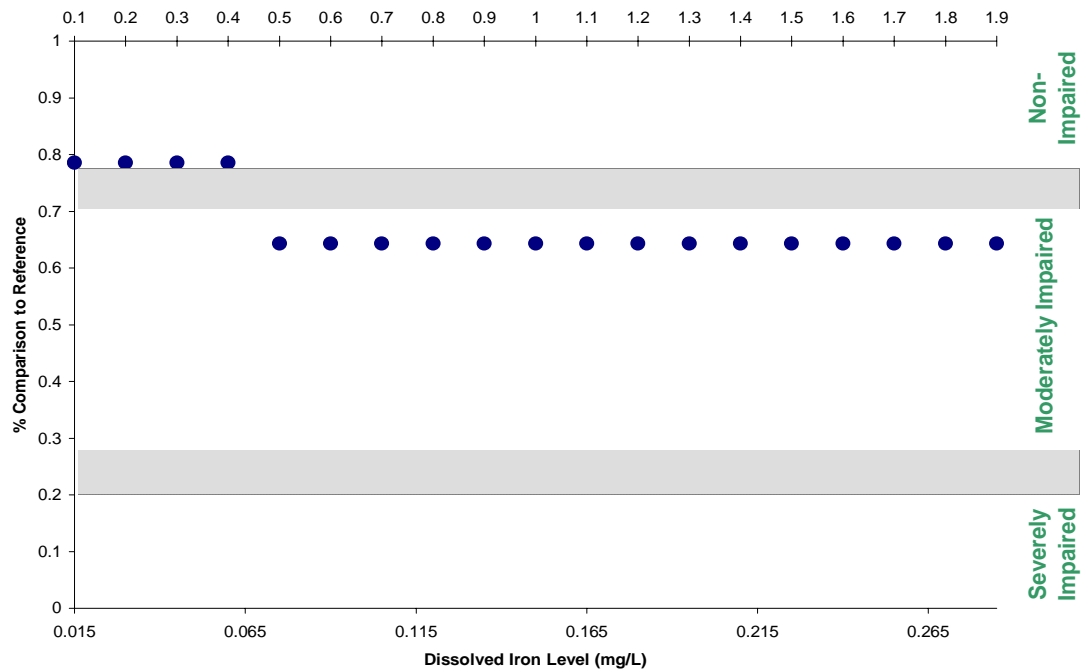


Figure 5.2 Bioassessment response to changes in Dissolved Iron Level (mg/L)

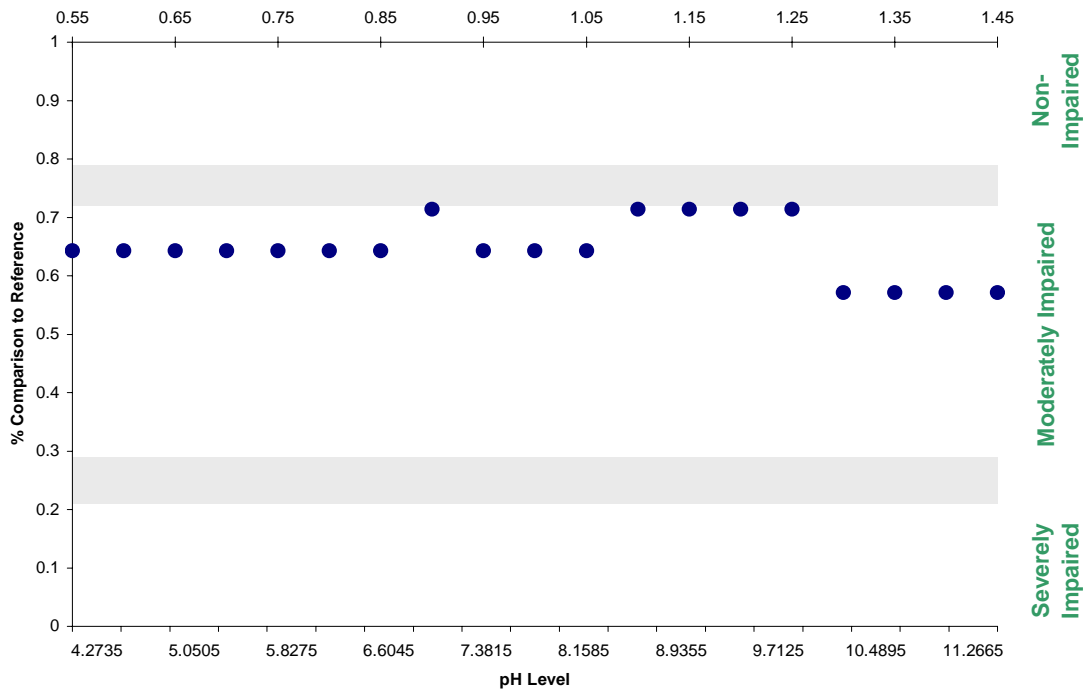


Figure 5.3 Bioassessment response to changes in pH level

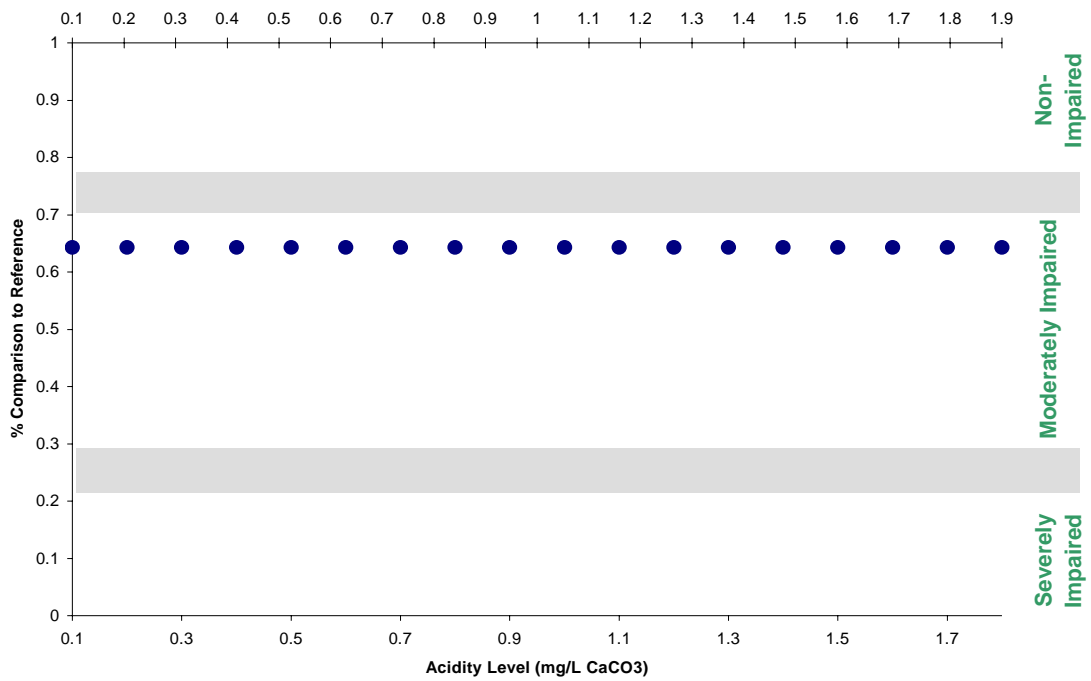


Figure 5.4 Bioassessment response to changes in Acidity level (mg/L CaCO₃)

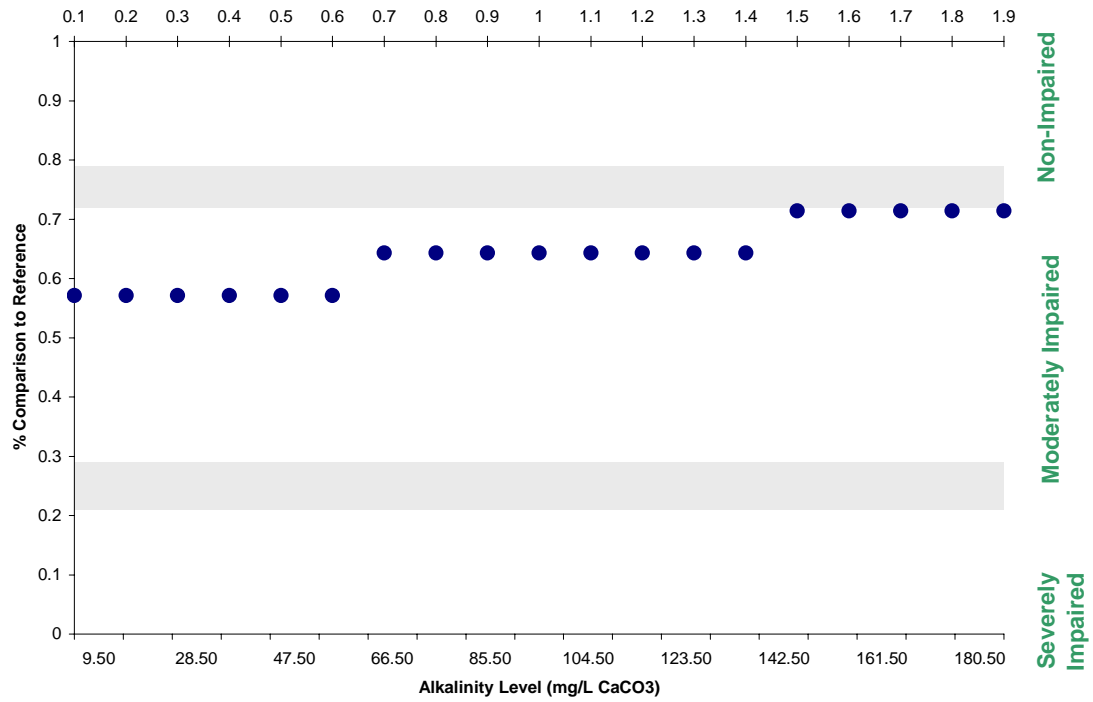


Figure 5.5 Bioassessment response to changes in Alkalinity level (mg/L CaCO3)

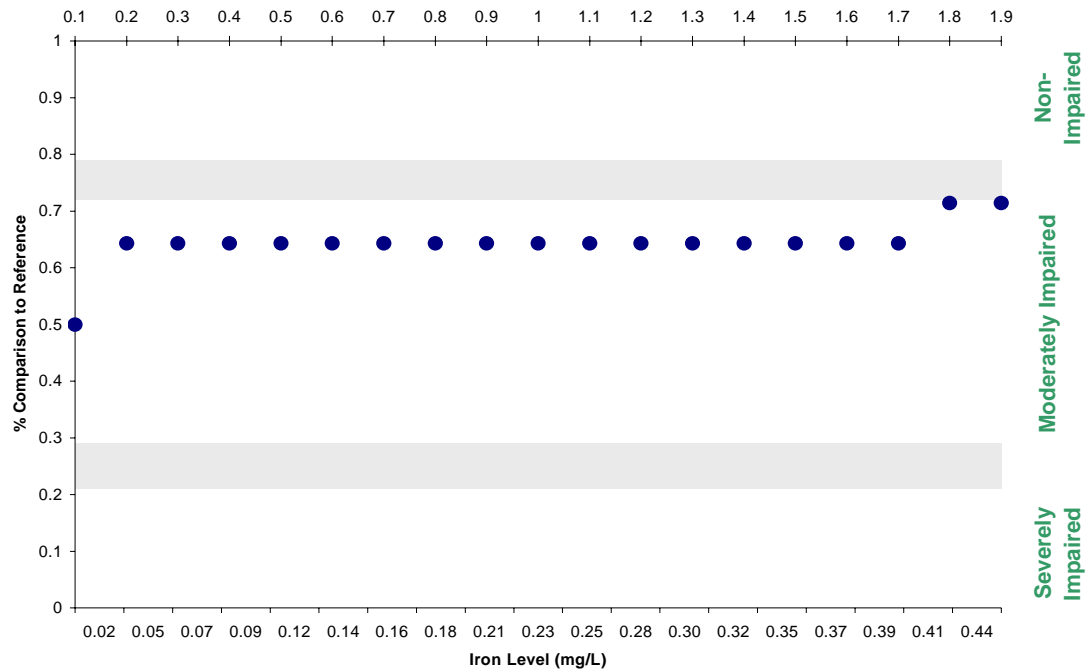


Figure 5.6 Bioassessment response to changes in Iron level (mg/L)

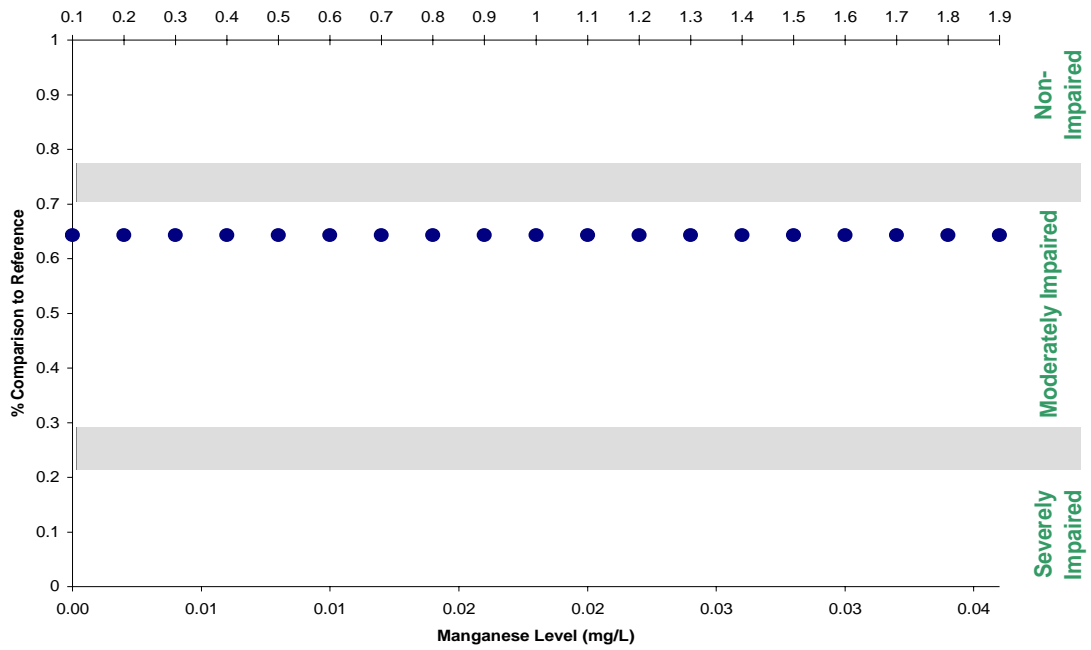


Figure 5.7 Bioassessment response to changes in Manganese levels (mg/L)

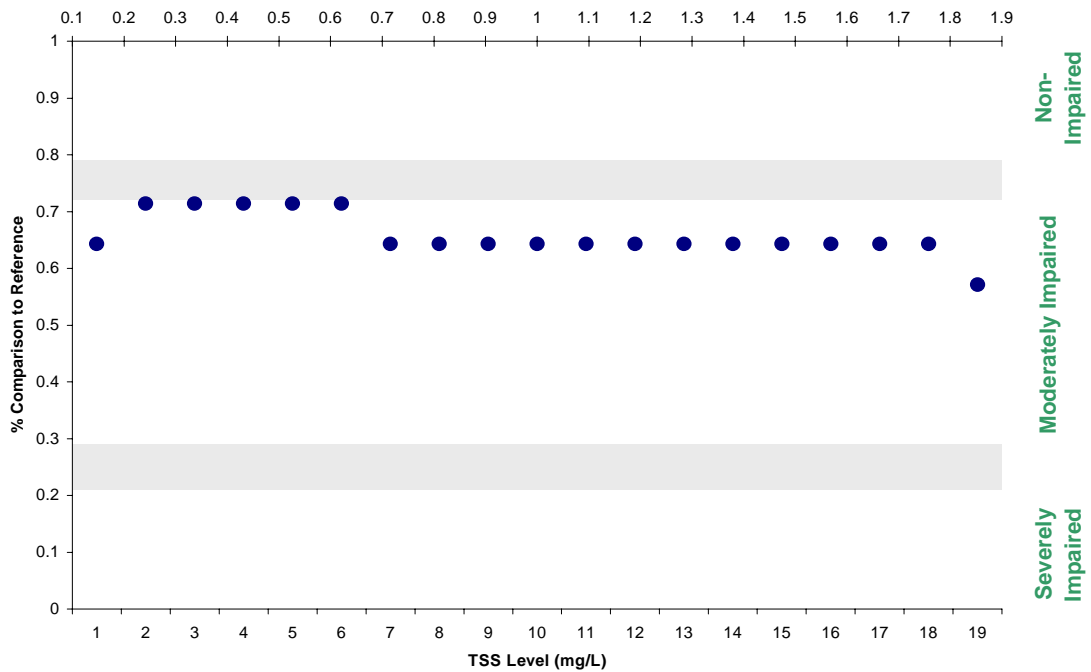


Figure 5.8 Bioassessment response to changes in TSS level (mg/L)

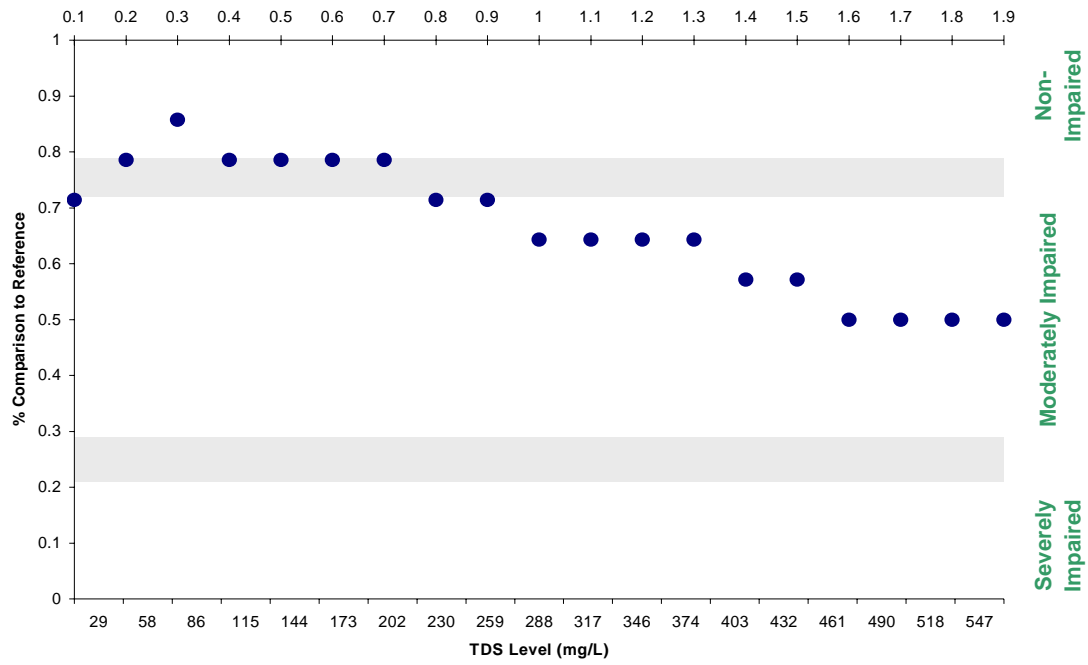


Figure 5.9 Bioassessment response to changes in TDS level (mg/L)

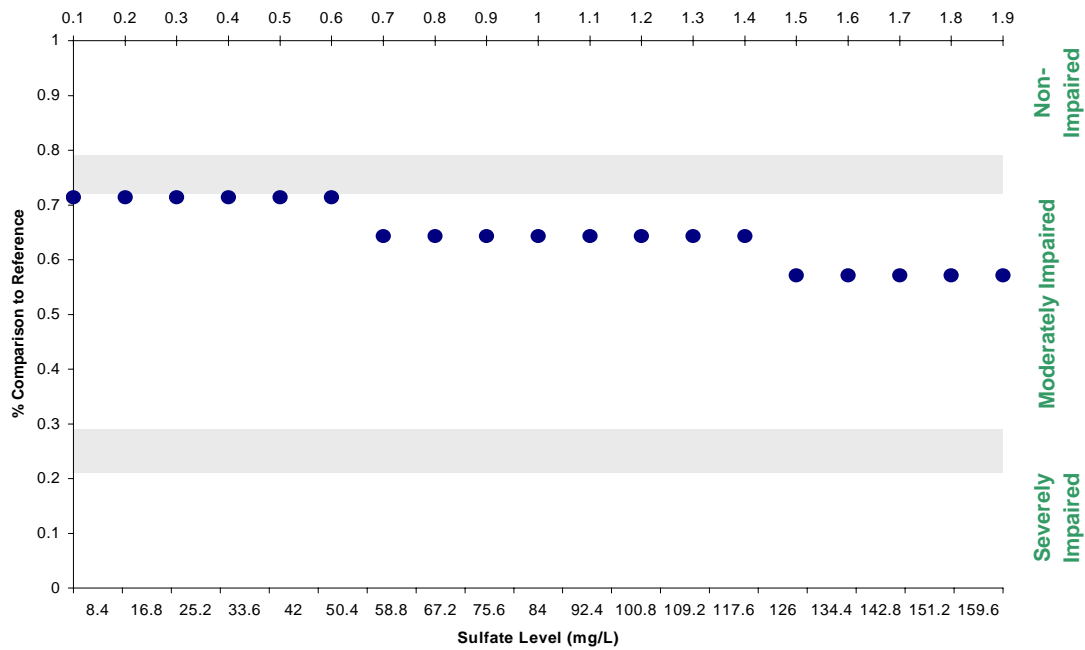


Figure 5.10 Bioassessment response to changes in Sulfate level (mg/L)

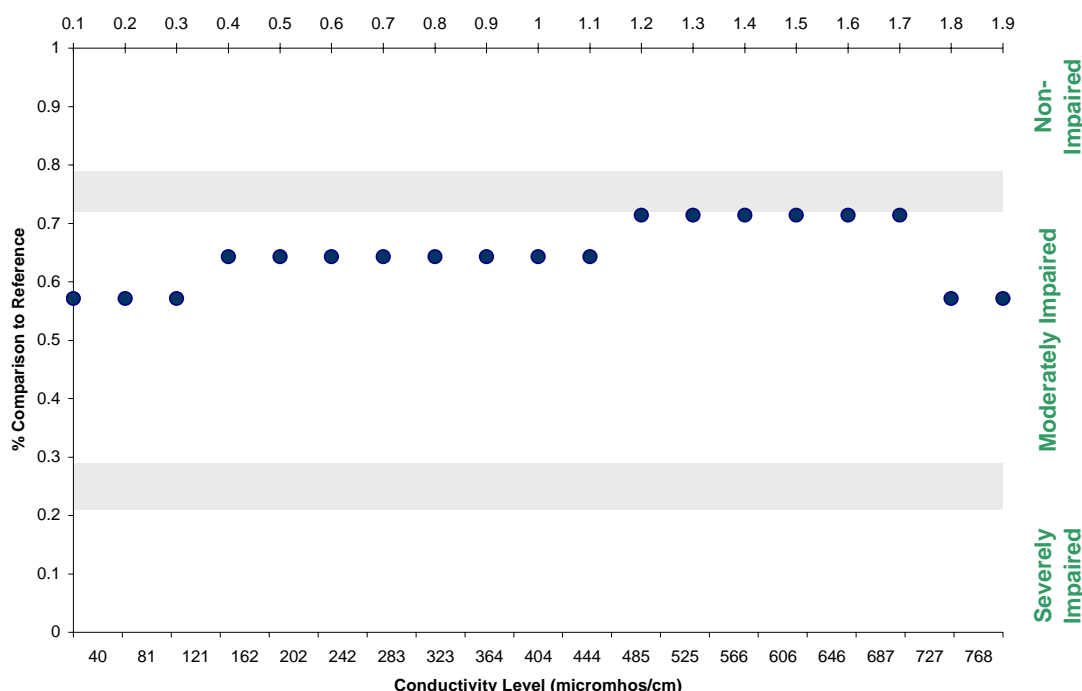


Figure 5.11 Bioassessment response to changes in Conductivity level (micromhos/cm)

5.2 Incorporation of a Margin of Safety

A margin of safety (MOS) can be implicit or explicit. It is incorporated into a TMDL in an effort to account for scientific errors inherent to the TMDL development process, measurement uncertainty in model parameters, and to account for trends which might prevent the water quality goal, as targeted by the TMDL, from being achieved. Scientific errors arise from our inability to fully describe mathematically the processes and mechanisms by which pollutants are delivered to the stream. Model calibration is an attempt to address these errors through adjusting model parameters until a suitable fit to observed data is achieved. Measurement uncertainty also introduces errors in the model calibration, because model parameters that are adjusted to non-representative conditions result in model simulations being biased either low or high. For example, observed data used for model calibration were collected for monitoring permit compliance. As a result, flow values were estimated rather than measured. Calibration to estimated data introduces modeling uncertainty.

The MOS is a subjective value, representing a balance between complete certainty of reaching the in-stream standard and not meeting the standard. The MOS was entered explicitly through choice of the endpoint. The endpoint was set at an average bioassessment score of 85% (Section 2.1) representing the average bioassessment score for reference stations assessed in the coalfield region of Virginia. This score exceeds the non-impaired criterion of 79% used during the original assessment.

5.3 Scenario Development

Allocation scenarios were modeled using HSPF and the bioassessment model. Allocations were developed for the assessment station on Dumps Creek (i.e. subwatershed DC-6) and the outlet of the entire watershed (i.e. subwatershed DC-7). Existing conditions were adjusted until the water quality standard was attained (Table 5.1). The endpoint for the standard was an average bioassessment of 85%. Thirty-day average stressor inputs to the bioassessment model were used to represent chronic conditions. The development of the allocation scenario was an iterative process that required numerous runs with each followed by an assessment of source reduction against the water quality target. Additional reductions were made until the target was achieved.

5.3.1 Wasteload Allocations

All permitted point sources related to mine discharges (i.e., the source listed in Table C.1, Appendix C, is either mine discharge or comingled) were modeled as direct discharges during allocation runs. These point sources were modeled at maximum permitted daily average concentrations (i.e., 35 mg/L TSS, 3.0 mg/L Total Fe, and 2.0 mg/L Total Mn), with mean recorded flow rates. Other permitted point sources currently existing in the watershed were modeled as NPS loads since a runoff event is required to deliver pollutants to the stream from these sources. These sources are considered to be transient as they are temporary best management practices (i.e. ponds) installed to control NPS pollution resulting from active surface mining operations. Upon completion of current mining operations, these ponds will likely be removed and additional ponds will likely be installed as new operations are begun. As such, the wasteload allocation developed for Dumps Creek includes a “transient” load, which represents the acceptable load from these sources.

5.3.2 Load Allocations

Based on the sensitivity analyses for Dumps Creek and predominance of solids related sensitivity, TSS was targeted as the first pollutant to reduce. Multiple reductions were assessed, with only slight improvement seen beyond reductions of 50% (Table 5.1, Scenario A). Total dissolved solids were targeted next, with a 20% reduction resulting in an acceptable allocation with the average bioassessment being 85% (Table 5.1 Scenario B). Since it is likely that implementation actions aimed at reducing TDS (e.g. AML reclamation and streambank stabilization) would also reduce TSS an additional scenario was explored where the allocations were balanced between TDS and TSS (Table 5.1, Scenario C). No reductions to currently permitted loads were required. Time-series output from the bioassessment model is shown in Figure 5.12. Scenario C represents the required TMDL allocation for Dumps Creek and is represented in Table 5.2 as the load at the outlet of the Dumps Creek watershed (i.e. subwatershed DC-7).

Table 5.1 Average bioassessment score for various allocation scenarios in the Dumps Creek impairment.

Scenario Description	Average Bioassessment
Existing conditions	73%
Scenario A: 50% of TSS from nonpoint sources	80%
Scenario B: 50% of TSS from nonpoint sources 20% of TDS from nonpoint sources	85%
Scenario C: 40% of TSS from nonpoint sources 34% of TDS from nonpoint sources	85%

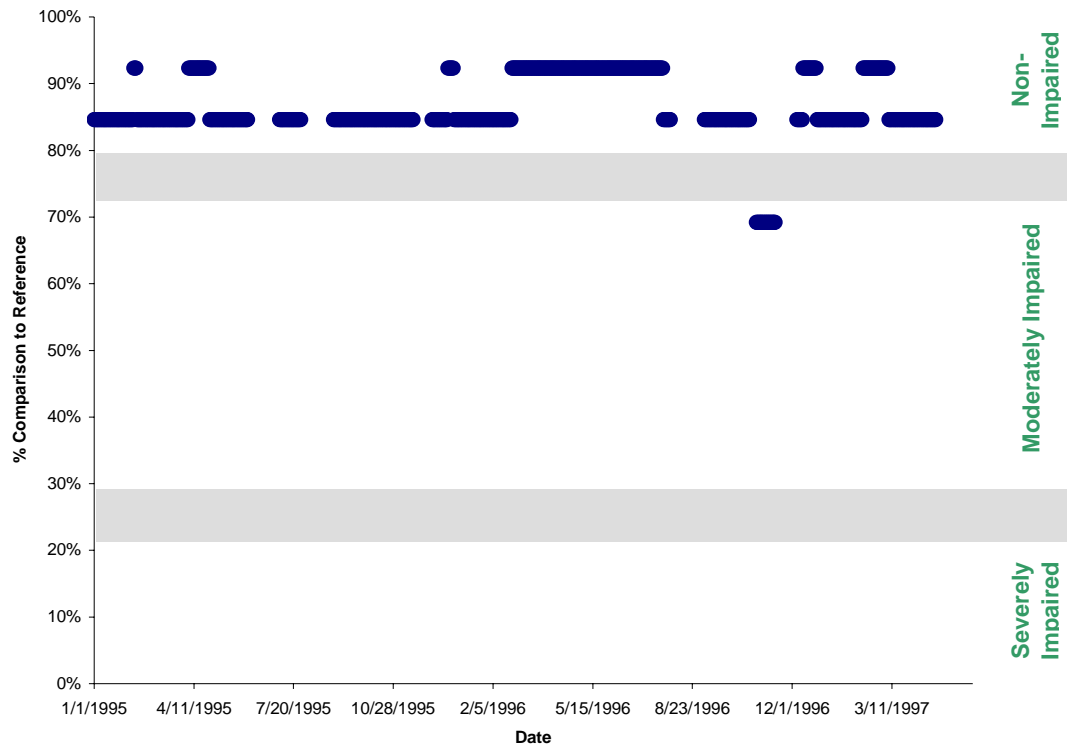
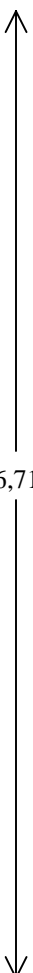
**Figure 5.12** Allocation conditions at Subwatershed DC-6 (*i.e.*, DEQ assessment station for Dumps Creek).

Table 5.2 TMDL allocations chosen for the Dumps Creek general quality impairment.

		TSS (kg/year)	TDS (kg/year)
Waste Load Allocation		316,523	1,631,575
NPDES 0081399	MPID 3970218	12	62
NPDES 0080483	MPID 5183662	104,336	538,374
NPDES 0081132	MPID 5170002	3	15
NPDES 0080483	MPID 5183655	676	3,488
NPDES 0080483	MPID 5470215	2,180	11,249
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985052	14	72
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985053	4	21
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985054	7,203	37,167
NPDES 0081309	MPID 0003867	72	372
NPDES 0080480	MPID 3985030	33,729	174,042
Transient Waste Load ¹			
NPDES 0081478	MPID 0000984	1,792	
NPDES 0081758	MPID 0001178	5,370	
NPDES 0081607	MPID 0002608	8,844	
NPDES 0081607	MPID 0002609	80,903	
NPDES 0081607	MPID 0002612	594	
NPDES 0081607	MPID 0002613	1,258	
NPDES 0081681	MPID 0003251	5,523	
NPDES 0081681	MPID 0003252	1,289	
NPDES 0081681	MPID 0003253	2,193	
NPDES 0081758	MPID 0003905	3,237	
NPDES 0081758	MPID 0003906	2,199	
NPDES 0081758	MPID 0003907	1,700	
NPDES 0081398	MPID 3970178	4,654	
NPDES 0080071	MPID 3982946	16	
NPDES 0080255	MPID 3983285	38	
NPDES 0080363	MPID 3983540	78	
NPDES 0080480	MPID 3985028	8,049	
NPDES 0080480	MPID 3985033	12	
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985044	7,676	
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985045	71	
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985046	20,469	
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985047	7,393	
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985048	353	
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985049	2,974	
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985050	923	
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985051	22	
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985055	21	
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985056	269	
NPDES 0080481	MPID 3985059	2	
NPDES 0081132	MPID 5170001	185	
NPDES 0080483	MPID 5183658	115	
NPDES 0080483	MPID 5183660	72	
Load Allocation		655,060	3,384,104
TMDL		971,583	5,015,679

¹ The transient waste load represents the waste load from runoff-controlling BMPs (i.e. ponds) that are likely to be removed upon completion of current mining operations.

² TDS from transient waste loads are presented as a combined load from all transient sources.

5.4 Implementation

The goal of this TMDL was to establish a three-step path that will lead to expeditious attainment of water quality standards. The first step in this process was to develop a TMDL allocation that will lead to the attainment of water quality standards. The second step is to develop a TMDL implementation plan, and the final step will be to implement the TMDL and attain water quality standards.

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and current EPA regulations do not require the development of implementation strategies. However, Virginia's 1997 Water Quality Monitoring, Information and Restoration Act (WQ MIRA) directs VADEQ in section 62.1-44.19.7 to "*develop and implement a plan to achieve fully supporting status for impaired waters*". The Act also establishes that the implementation plan shall include the date of expected achievement of water quality objectives, measurable goals, corrective actions necessary and the associated cost, benefits and environmental impact of addressing the impairments. EPA outlines the minimum elements of an approvable implementation plan in its 1999 "*Guidance for Water Quality-Based Decisions: The TMDL Process*". The listed elements include implementation actions/management measures, time line, legal or regulatory controls, time required to attain water quality standards, monitoring plan and milestones for attaining water quality standards.

Since this TMDL consists of NPS load allocations originating from mining activities, VADMME will have the lead responsibility for the development of the implementation plan. VADMME and VADEQ will work closely with watershed stakeholders, interested state agencies, and support groups to develop an acceptable implementation plan that will result in meeting the water quality target. Once developed, VADEQ intends to incorporate the TMDL implementation plan into the Tennessee Big Sandy Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP), in accordance with the CWA's Section 303(e). In response to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between EPA and VADEQ, VADEQ also submitted a draft Continuous Planning Process to EPA in which VADEQ commits to regularly updating the WQMPs. Thus, the WQMPs will be, among other things, the repository for all TMDLs and TMDL implementation plans developed within a river basin.

Funding sources for implementations will be identified. Over 71,000 acres of land in Virginia have been affected by coal mining. It is estimated that it would take approximately 55 years at the present rate of funding and reclamation construction to reclaim just the high priority Abandoned Mine Land (AML) sites. In addition, it would cost more than \$300 million to reclaim the AML sites causing environmental degradation. One potential source of funding for TMDL implementation is Section 319 of the Clean Water Act. In response to the federal Clean Water Action Plan, Virginia developed a Unified Watershed Assessment that identifies watershed priorities. Watershed restoration activities, such as TMDL implementation, within these priority watersheds are eligible for Section 319 funding. Increases in Section 319 funding in future years will be targeted towards TMDL implementation and watershed restoration. Additional funding sources may be available through the U. S. Office of Surface Mining.

5.4.1 Stage I Implementation Goal

Implementation of best management practices (BMPs) in the watersheds will occur in stages. The benefit of staged implementation is that it provides a mechanism for developing public support and for evaluating the adequacy of the TMDL in achieving the water quality standard.

It is anticipated that AML reclamation and streambank stabilization will be the initial targets of implementation. One way to accelerate reclamation of AML is through remining. The Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy's Division of Mined Land Reclamation, The Nature Conservancy, Virginia Tech/Powell River Project, and U. S. Office of Surface Mining combined resources to develop proposals for incentives that will promote economically viable, environmentally beneficial remining operations that reclaim AML sites. Initial meetings led to the development of a Remining Ad Hoc Work Group that includes representatives from industry, other governmental agencies, special interest groups, and citizens of Southwest Virginia. The Ad Hoc Group has identified existing incentives and continues to propose new ones.

One of the most important existing incentives is the alternative effluent limitations assigned to remining operations with pre-existing pollutant discharges. These regulations (known as the Rahall Amendment) were the result of a 1987 revision to the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA). Alternate effluent discharge limits are allowed in coal mining areas with pre-existing effluent problems. Operators document effluent conditions prior to remining. Upon completion of the remining operation and prior to reclamation bond and permit release, the operator would need to demonstrate that the pollution load from the site is equal to or less than premining pollution load. Because the remining revisions were promulgated after the original TMDL provisions of the CWA, pollution load allocations and implementation plans should be designed to preserve the incentives implicit in the Rahall Amendment.

Streambank stabilization in conjunction with riparian buffers would be useful in addressing the both the TSS and TDS issues. Streambank stabilization will allow the development of a riparian zone, and will also reduce sediment delivery from the eroding streambank. TDS is associated with sediment delivery to the stream and the resulting increase in sediment/water contact. Decreasing streambank erosion problems should consequently have a beneficial impact on TDS as well as TSS levels. Riparian buffers slow surface water movement, allowing sediment to settle out before reaching the stream. In addition, to the degree that surface runoff is allowed to infiltrate as a result of being detained in the riparian zone, fine particulate matter will be captured in the soil matrix before entering the stream.

Through the remining process in Dumps Creek, combined with streambank stabilization and development of riparian buffers, there exists reasonable assurance that the pollution load reductions proposed in the TMDL can be achieved. Some of the best supporting data on pollution load reductions resulting from successful remining operations is included with EPA's remining Best Management Practices (BMPs) document – in particular Pennsylvania's remining database.

In 1998, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) developed a remining database to determine the success of Pennsylvania's remining program. The database specifically quantifies the extent to which bituminous coal remining sites have reduced pollution loads from the pre-existing conditions. Evaluations of the data were made by comparing pre-mining and post-mining loads at individual discharges for several parameters. The results are included in a report - broken down by stressor or pollutant. The database includes water quality information from more than 200 remining sites. BMPs used at the remining sites were common to surface mining activities throughout the Appalachian region and included daylighting deep mines, regrading, revegetation, and alkaline soil addition. The BMPs did not include chemical treatment, constructed wetlands, or long term treatment mechanisms. The PADEP results document that load reductions on the order of 60 to 70% were measured for pollutants of interest. When the observed pollution reductions associated with the re-mining process are compared to the modeled load reductions needed to improve Dumps Creek, the recommended reductions for the stream appear attainable.

5.4.2 Follow-up Monitoring

VADEQ will monitor at biological monitoring station 6BDUM001.09 as implementation of corrective actions in the watershed occur so that the Stage 1 implementation goals have been achieved. Monitoring after corrective actions occur allows the most effective use of monitoring resources in the regional office. VADEQ will use data from this monitoring station to evaluate improvements in the benthic community and the effectiveness of TMDL implementation in attainment of the general water quality standard.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A key element in the development of a TMDL is public participation. During the course of developing the TMDL for Dumps Creek, three meetings were held (Table 6.1). The first public meeting on January 29, 2002 was a combination TMDL meeting on Dumps Creek and Black Creek held at the Clinch Valley Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Dinsmore Hall, St. Paul, Virginia. The first public meeting was held at both 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm to allow for maximum attendance of both industry representatives and the public at large. An introduction of the agencies involved, an overview of the TMDL process and the specific approach to developing the Dumps Creek TMDL were presented at the first public meeting. The first meeting included members of the mining industry, regulatory agency and MapTech personnel. During the second and final meeting held on March 25, 2003 at Cleveland Recreation Facility in Cleveland, VA, details of the hydrologic calibration, pollutant sources, results of the water quality modeling, biometric model simulations and load allocations were presented. All meetings were advertised in the *Virginia Register*. Presentation materials were distributed at each meeting.

Table 6.1 Public participation in the TMDL development for the Dumps Creek Watershed.

Date	Location	Attendance ¹	Format
1/29/02	Clinch Valley Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Dinsmore Hall St. Paul, Virginia	17 (10 project personnel)	Open to public at large
3/25/03	Cleveland Recreation Facility Cleveland, VA	17 (7 project personnel)	Open to public at large

¹ The number of attendants is estimated from sign up sheets provided at each meeting. These numbers are known to underestimate the actual attendance.

APPENDIX: A
VIRGINIA'S REGRESSION METHOD FOR BENTHIC TMDLS

Virginia's Regression Method for Benthic TMDLs

1. Background

In developing TMDLs for Black Creek, Wise County, VA and Dumps Creek, Russell County, VA, a relationship between the impairment (*i.e.*, benthic macroinvertebrates) and the stressor(s) causing the impairment (e.g. iron flocculent) had to be defined either explicitly or implicitly. Hypotheses formulated during the initial phase of the Black Creek effort speculated that metal flocculants act “physically like fine sediment, filling habitat spaces and interfering with respiration and feeding of the benthic invertebrates” (Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, VADMME, special study 1999). Further speculation was that the impairment was not the result of metal toxicity. In contrast, a toxicity study specific to the Black Creek drainage conducted by Dr. Don Cherry with Virginia Tech “indicates toxicity within the creek itself” was of concern. Regardless of these statements, the fact is that neither study developed a quantifiable link between the impairment and the pollutant(s) causing the problem. In analyzing observed data to identify stressors, USEPA (2000) states that the use of “regression techniques to quantify the relationships between variables [is] encouraged.”

Developing the link or relationship between stressors and benthic health was a key component of the Black Creek and Dumps Creek TMDLs and may produce a relationship that is applicable to other coalfield impairments. In order to accomplish this task, biological, chemical and physical data has been compiled from the Black Creek drainage, the Dumps Creek drainage, as well as, from similar areas in southwest Virginia and eastern Kentucky (Figure 1.). Data has been collected from studies conducted by VA Tech (*i.e.*, Cherry’s work), VADEQ, VADMME and Appalachian Technology Services (ATS). The combined data set consists of 178 records (Attachment A: Table 1).

Multi-parameter statistical analyses were performed on the compiled data set, to identify the primary pollutant(s) causing the impairments and to establish a mathematical relationship between pollutant levels and the benthic community. Statistical analysis was conducted using each of seven individual

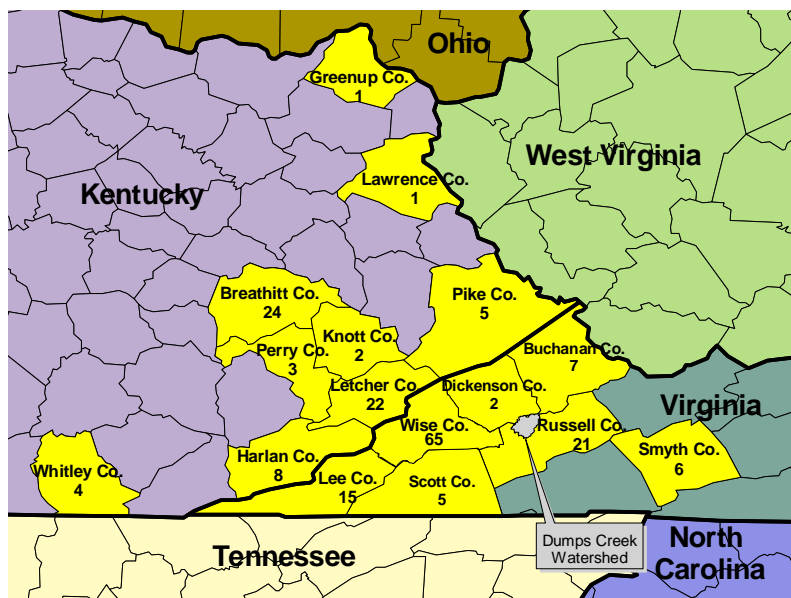


Figure 1. Locations (highlighted in yellow) of data sources utilized to develop the Dumps Creek end points.

metrics as the independent variable (the eighth metric, Community Loss Index, is calculated from Taxa Richness). The resulting parameter estimates for the Dumps Creek model are given in Attachment B.

2. Technical Description of Proposed Method

1. *What waters will be covered?*

The regression model developed for use in the Black Creek and Dumps Creek TMDLs should be applicable to benthic-impaired waters throughout the coalfields of Appalachia. In applying the model to other impairments, the first step should be to compare the monitored bioassessment results to results obtained by inputting monitored stressor data to the regression model. If results are inconsistent, then additional stressors should be considered for inclusion in the model.

While this specific regression model is being developed for application to coalfield watersheds, a similar approach, evaluating appropriate stressors, could be used in primarily agricultural or urban watersheds.

2. *What are the details of the method?*

The proposed method is comprised of two functional models (Figure 2). The first model (water quality model) describes the fate and transport of the stressors delivered to and processed through the impaired stream segment. This model is common to most TMDLs

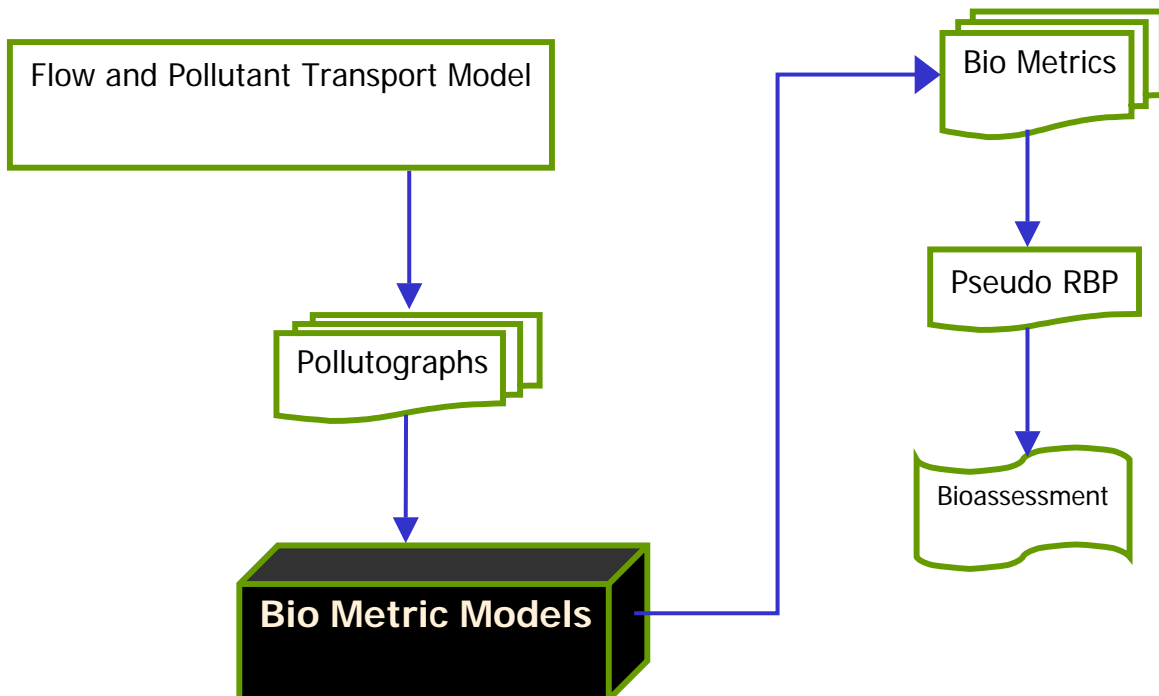


Figure 2. The proposed conceptual model for developing TMDLs using the Regression Method for Benthic TMDLs.

and its complexity is determined by the critical conditions and the fate and transport mechanisms that define the critical conditions. This portion of the method is illustrated in Figure 2 as the flow and pollutant transport model, which produces the pollutographs. The second functional model is the bioassessment model. It is comprised of those elements that model the benthic macroinvertebrate health, as illustrated in Figure 2, and consists of the blocks from the multi-parameter analysis to the bioassessment block. This model mimics the real world execution of Virginia's general standard in that it is comprised of the biometrics and the reference station that are incorporated in Virginia's assessment of the impairment.

At the core of the bioassessment model is the multi-parameter analysis, which describes the relationship of the various stressors to individual RBP metrics. Using statistical regression techniques (e.g. forward, backwards, and stepwise regression), mathematical relationships between the potential stressors and each metric are determined. The stressors included in this analysis are considered common to activities (e.g. mining) within the impairment's watershed. For the Black Creek/Dumps Creek case study, the potential stressors are common to active and abandoned surface and deep coal mining activities (e.g. acid mine drainage, soil erosion, etc.) in Appalachian coalfields. These stressors are regressed against the eight metrics (e.g. taxa richness and percent dominant family) that comprise Virginia's bioassessment score. Table 1 lists the biometrics that comprises

Virginia's bioassessment score and their relationship to the aquatic health (e.g. with increasing Taxa Richness the benthic health is expected to increase). For the case study, the stressors incorporated into the analysis are common across our coalfield region; therefore, the resulting relationships should be widely applicable to similar impairments in Virginia.

Table 1. Virginia's Biometrics.

Biometric	Benthic Health
Taxa Richness	↑
Modified Family Biotic Index	↓
Scraper to Filtering Collector Ratio	↑
EPT / Chiromnomid Ratio	↑
% Contribution of Dominant Family	↓
EPT Index	↑
Community Loss Index	↓
Shredder to Total Ratio	↑

Biometrics for each record were recalculated from raw data, as needed, to ensure that all metrics were calculated at the family level. Upon standardizing the biometric data, all records in the dataset were consistent in terms of biometric data; however, records did not each contain the same water quality parameters. Because of this, the regression analysis followed the following process:

- 1) Stepwise regression using full set of basic parameters (*i.e.*, linear terms). Criterion for removal/addition of terms was $\alpha=0.25$.
- 2) Regression recalculated with identified parameters including additional records as possible (e.g. if discharge was not identified as an important

parameter in the first step, additional records that did not include discharge data could be analyzed in this step).

- 3) Stepwise regression including identified parameters and interaction terms.
- 4) Repeat step 2.
- 5) Stepwise regression including identified parameters and natural log of basic terms.
- 6) Repeat step 2.
- 7) Stepwise regression including identified parameters and square of basic terms.
- 8) Repeat step 2.

For each stepwise regression performed; forward, backward, and mixed regression models were developed and the model that produced the largest R^2 value was retained. In order to avoid over fitting the model, the number of parameters was not allowed to exceed $(n-20)/2$, where n is the number of records included in the analysis. The process was terminated when this limit was reached or all of the parameters, including the non-linear permutations discussed above, had been evaluated.

The result of this task is a statistical model that defines the relationship between pollutant levels (stressors) and the level of impairment. Results from hydrologic/water quality modeling will be linked into the statistical model to simulate the temporal impact to each biometric.

As illustrated in Figure 3, the pollutographs from the water quality model are coupled with the relationships determined through the multi-parameter analysis to produce a modeled metric score.

These modeled metrics are processed in the same manner as measured metrics (Figure 4.) - *i.e.*, compared with (modeled) metrics for a reference station - resulting in a modeled bioassessment (e.g. non impaired, moderately impaired) for a targeted site.

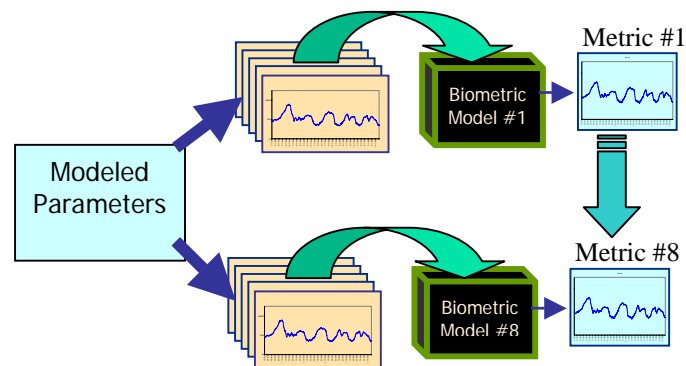


Figure 3. Conceptual application of the linkage between the water quality and biometric models.

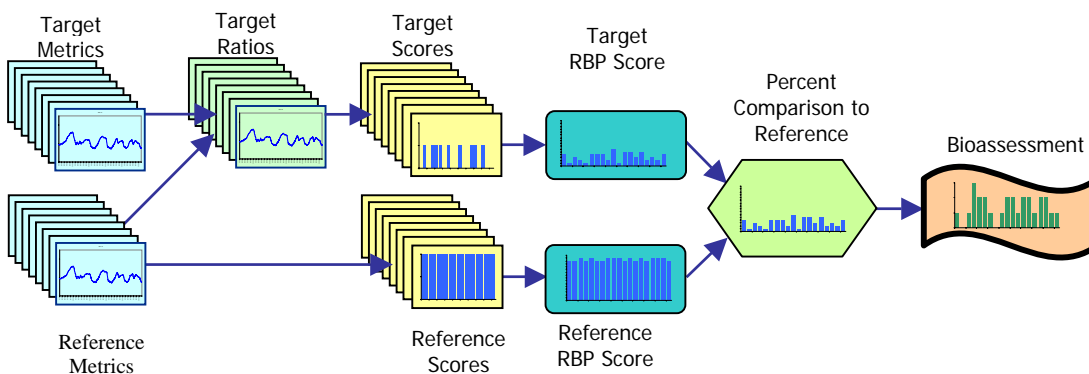


Figure 4. Bioassessment Protocol

3. *What are the data requirements?*

In developing the regression model relating stressors to benthic health, instream chemical and physical data must be paired with instream biological data. Data from the state's ambient water quality-monitoring program, supplemented with data collected in support of permit requirements will be used in determining these relationships.

With regard to a specific impairment's TMDL, sufficient data for modeling the pertinent stressors under critical conditions are required.

4. *What are the advantages of the method?*

The key advantage of this methodology is that it produces an objective link between the causative agents and narrative standard. In doing so, the interactions of the various causative agents are considered and potentially result in various remediation scenarios. This provides an opportunity for the public to select the most appropriate implementation scenario.

Through the statistical process of developing the biometric models, an assessment of the level of uncertainty can be established. In contrast, other methods for establishing the endpoints (e.g. reference watershed approach) have levels of uncertainty that are not readily quantifiable.

The bioassessment model developed for the Black Creek/Dumps Creek case study incorporated regional data and is expected to be broadly applicable in the coalfields of Virginia. The broad application of this model is expected to eliminate the need for similar analysis in future coalfield TMDLs, thereby reducing the overall cost of these TMDLs. With detailed chemical and physical characterization of water quality, simplified water quality modeling (as compared to HSPF) may be appropriate, further reducing the cost of these TMDLs. The simplified methods are especially appropriate for those situations where the sources of the pollutant loading are not significantly affected by landuse activities, and/or seasonal weather patterns.

5. *What are the disadvantages of the method?*

As with all narrative standards the causative agent is not known without some degree of uncertainty. Although this method allows for some measurement of the uncertainty, the uncertainty exists nonetheless. The level of uncertainty would be expected to reduce as additional data are collected through ongoing programs and incorporated into the biometric models. These ongoing monitoring programs would be based on standard protocols designed to support the improvement of statistically based biometric models. For example, VADEQ has initiated the collocation and timing of chemical (*i.e.*, ambient water quality) and biological monitoring stations.

It is worth noting that a leading environmental statistician, Dr. Eric Smith, of Virginia Tech's Department of Statistics has reviewed this method for developing the Black Creek TMDL. His preliminary review stated, "Overall, I am supportive of the approach. I think the approach is superior to other TMDL approaches that do not include data directly." Furthermore, environmental chemist, Dr. David Johnson, of Ferrum College, states that in spite of uncertainties due to the limited data available, this method is superior to approaches currently implemented within the state.

3. **Evaluation of Method in terms of regulatory conditions pursuant to 40 CFR §130**

1. *Using the regression method, are the TMDLs designed to implement applicable water quality standards?*

The applicable water quality standard is Virginia's General Standard, which is implemented through monitoring of benthic macroinvertebrate communities via the Rapid Bioassessment Protocol (RBP). Using the Regression Method for Benthic TMDLs, a relationship between potential stressors and individual metrics that comprise the RBP is developed. These modeled metrics are combined, following the RBP, into a bioassessment score (e.g. moderately impaired). In doing so, the state standard is directly addressed. For example, Figure 5 shows the simulated existing conditions (*i.e.*, bioassessment scores) generated from the linkage of the water quality model and the bioassessment model for Black Creek during water year 1996. The observed bioassessment for this station was moderately impaired.

2. *Will the TMDLs contain allowable loading, waste load allocations, and load allocations?*

With a relationship developed between stressors and benthic health, stressors can be modeled using a continuous model that considers climatic, hydrologic and management conditions (e.g. HSPF), and the resulting stressor levels can be used to calculate modeled

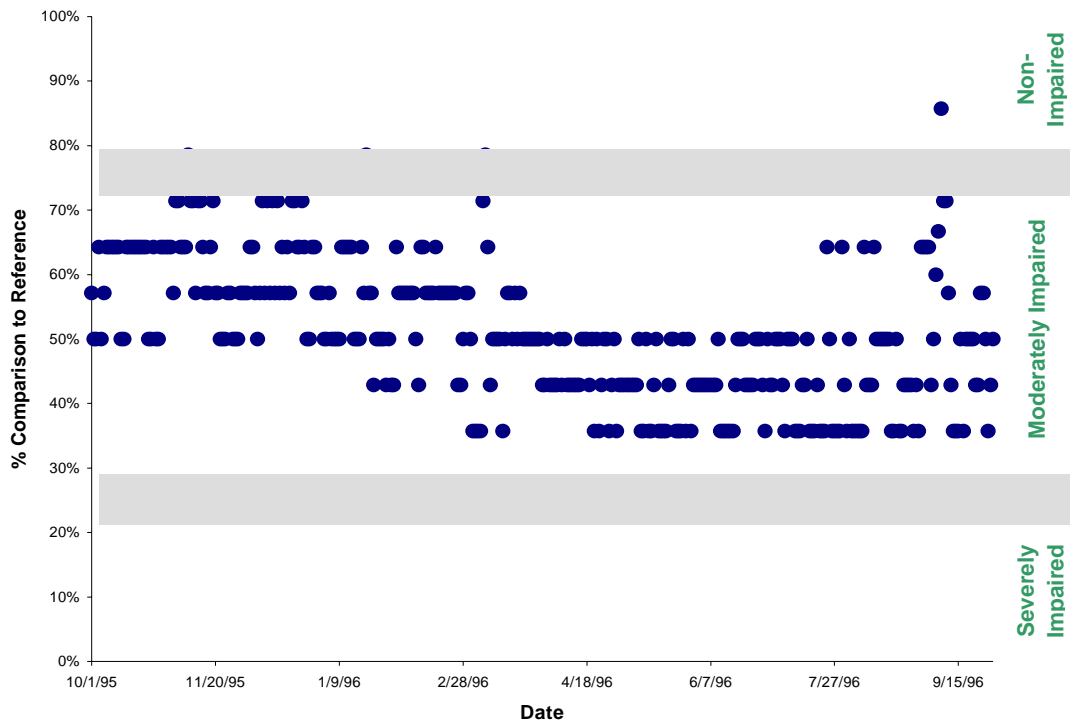


Figure 5. Black Creek modeled current conditions as expressed by the bioassessment protocol.

RBP assessments. Using this approach, current conditions as well as allocation scenarios can be modeled. Reduction of stressor levels will be determined by adjusting the appropriate model parameters until the modeled bioassessment meets state standards (*i.e.*, non-impaired). Upon identifying a workable scenario for full implementation, allowable loading, waste load allocations, and load allocations will be calculated.

3. *Does the TMDL consider background pollutants?*

Since the Regression Method allows modeling of specific stressors (e.g. total iron and sediment), the TMDLs will consider background pollutants through inclusion in the model. Multiple pollutants will be modeled and background levels of each will be included in the model through the most appropriate method (e.g. groundwater contributions, or an additional direct load).

In addition, by design the bioassessment protocol compares the targeted water quality station to a non-impaired reference station. The reference station, by default, considers background levels of the various stressors.

4. *Does the TMDL consider critical environmental conditions?*

A modeling period will be chosen to address the full range of climatic conditions that can be expected for the watershed in question. The use of a continuous model that considers climatic, hydrologic and management conditions allows for modeling all potentially critical environmental conditions that result from combinations of climate and management situations.

5. *Do TMDLs consider seasonal environment variations?*

As stated previously, a continuous model that considers climatic, hydrologic and management conditions will be incorporated into the TMDL development process. This will allow for seasonal variations in climatic conditions, as well as, seasonal changes in land-use management. For example, Figure 6 depicts the results from a five-year model simulation for flow and total dissolved solids within Black Creek. This five year period represents typical climatic conditions observed in the Black Creek watershed. As shown in Figure 5, the seasonal variation is reflected in the bioassessment simulations.

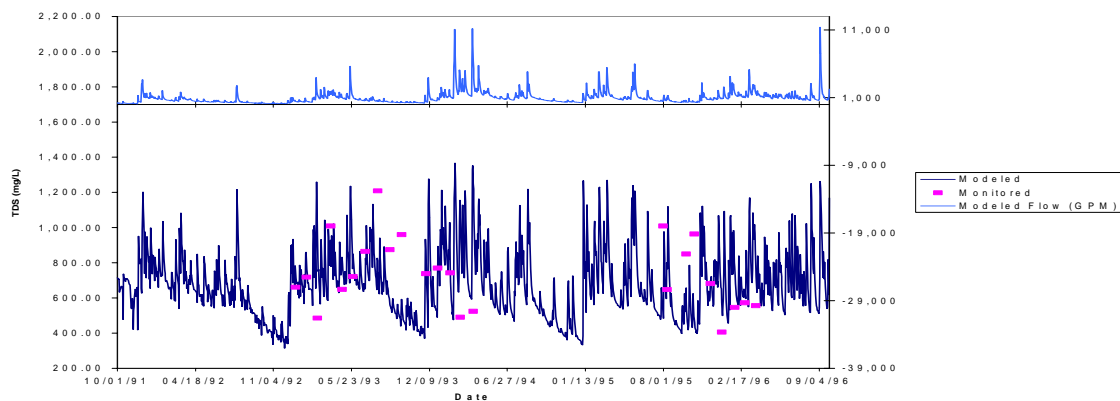


Figure 6. Predicted total dissolved solids and flow for Black Creek.

6. *Do TMDLs include margin of safety?*

Once an acceptable combination of stressor levels is determined, either an implicit or explicit margin of safety will be applied to the level determined for each stressor. The required allocation reductions will then be based on meeting this goal.

7. *Will TMDLs be subject to public participation?*

Fundamental to the Commonwealth's TMDL development process is public participation. At a minimum two public meetings are held in the local area of the impairment to describe the water quality condition of the impaired stream, the TMDL development process, and the resulting TMDL allocation reductions. As part of this involvement, the public has an opportunity to review and submit comments on the TMDL.

8. *Is there reasonable assurance that the TMDL can be met?*

The Regression Method for Benthic TMDLs was developed so that multiple allocation scenarios could be evaluated, with consideration for the management requirements of implementation. In being able to model various allocation scenarios and incorporate public input into selecting the most workable solution, the TMDL will be developed in such a way that it has the highest level of assurance possible.

4. Response to EPA Comments.

In response to the request for further documentation on several issues associated with the TMDL for Black Creek, supplied by Mr. Peter Gold of Region III, USEPA, the following is provided (This information was submitted to VADMME and VADEQ December of 2001). Mr. Gold's comments are presented in italics, directly quoted from his letter dated September 10, 2001.

Comment number 1 states: The "reference site" for the Black Creek TMDL seems to already have some impairment based on taxa richness and low EPT richness. There are several unmined watersheds in the Cumberland Mountains portion of West Virginia, which are unimpaired watersheds and are located in a similar eco-region. By using the "reference site" described in your presentation, the threshold for demonstrating an impairment would be lowered.

The reference site for the Black Creek assessment was established during the study conducted by Dr. Donald Cherry of Virginia Tech. As a result of this specific study, Black Creek was listed on Virginia's 303(d) list as being impaired from its confluence with the Powell River upstream to the outlet of Black Creek Lake. It was the stream quality at this site that expressed the state's standard for Black Creek. The selection of an alternate reference site for the purpose of developing the TMDL would in effect change the State's standard as applied to Black Creek and in doing so would be inappropriate.

The reference site used for the Black Creek assessment is in fact comparable to reference sites used throughout the Commonwealth. Specifically, taxa richness at the Black Creek reference site was measured at 11 and 12 on 8/8/95 and 10/8/95, respectively, while taxa richness recorded by VADEQ at reference sites in the coalfield region of Virginia range from 8 to 23. EPTI at the Black Creek reference site was measured at 3 and 5 on 8/8/95 and 10/8/95, respectively, while EPTI recorded by VADEQ at reference sites in the coalfield region of Virginia range from 4 to 13. A cursory survey of the reference site conducted by MapTech and Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (VADCR) personnel on June 6, 2001 showed a diverse population of the benthic macroinvertebrate community above Black Creek Lake, including pollutant-intolerant species.

Comment two asks: *Were all of the data used in the regressions collected using the same collection and sampling methods?*

No. Data used for the regression analysis included benthos samples collected using kick sampling and timed visual search methods.

Continuing comment 2: *Were these samples collected in the same season?*

No. Samples were collected at various times during the year.

Comment 2 concludes: *It is necessary to insure that the sampling methods and times are consistent, since changes in collection and sampling methodologies, and seasonality can introduce variability into the data.*

We acknowledge that these differences will introduce variability. In response to this comment, “month of sample collection” was evaluated as a parameter in the biometric models and was found to be a significant factor in EPT Index, Shredder to Total Ratio, and Percent Contribution from Dominant Family. Therefore, month is used as a variable in the regression models for these three benthic metrics.

For the purposes of modeling the biometrics, using sampling methodology, as an independent variable would have questionable utility. The size of the dataset is such that forcing the introduction of these variables into the regression models would be counter productive. Having developed a reasonable model with different sampling methodologies included, a more robust model is available for the TMDL analysis. That is, the results will be independent of sampling methodology.

Comment number three states: *Many of the benthic metrics documented in your presentation are no longer in use because of their innate variability and/or the difficulty associated with their interpretation. The West Virginia Stream Condition Index was developed using the benthic data of WVDEP and has been used in portions of the Cumberland Mountains in West Virginia. This Index used the following metrics: Total Taxa, EPT Taxa, %EPT, %Chironomidea, %2 dominant and HBI. These metrics may be more appropriate for the model.*

Although the metrics mentioned above may be inherently better for doing future assessments they are not appropriate for use in developing the Black Creek TMDL. The study conducted by Dr. Cherry expressed Virginia’s standard through the use of the

metrics outlined in our presentation. As with the reference site, changing the metrics would in effect change the state's standard and thereby would be inappropriate.

Three of the metrics referenced in the West Virginia study (*i.e.*, Total Taxa, EPT Taxa and HBI) are incorporated into the Virginia bioassessment protocol. Specifically, Taxa Richness, EPT Index and MFBI in Virginia's nomenclature is equivalent to West Virginia's Total Taxa, EPT Taxa and HBI, respectively.

In addition to the comments expressed in Mr. Gold's letter, several concerns were discussed during our September 17th meeting with VADEQ, VADCR and USEPA and the conference call that followed (9/18/01). These concerns focused on the complexity of the resulting regression equations, the potential variability associated with allocations and the limitations of the dataset used for the regression analysis. Inherent to biological systems are complex responses to environmental stressors. These responses are typically nonlinear, for instance, pH can have adverse biological effects at both ends of the scale. The complexity of the regression equations reflects these nonlinearities. The inclusion of stressors comprising the regression equations was determined through appropriate statistical procedures.

With regard to the potential variability associated with allocations, our contention is that there will be no variability in the allocations. The model will provide a framework for exploring alternative allocation scenarios. Each scenario will result in explicit end points for each stressor. However, a single scenario will be chosen (with stake holder involvement) for the final TMDL.

To address concerns about the dataset, we identified and requested additional biological/chemical data from EPA. To date, this data has not been made available. We have also identified and requested data from the State of Maryland. We expect this data will be forthcoming. In addition, Virginia's Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy has and continues to collect samples specifically to address these concerns.

It is worth noting that Dr. Eric Smith of Virginia Tech's Department of Statistics has reviewed this approach for developing the Black Creek TMDL. His preliminary review stated, "Overall, I am supportive of the approach. I think the approach is superior to other TMDL approaches that do not include data directly."

References

USEPA. 2000. Stressor Identification Guidance Document. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Water. Washington, D.C. December 2000. EPA 822-B-00-025

Attachment A:

**Water quality and biometric data used
in developing multi-parameter regression model.**

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 1 of 15)

Record	Location	Site ID	County	State	Date	Collectors	H2O Lab	Total Zinc	Settable Solids	Hardness	Turbidity
1	Craborchard Creek	AS-1	Lee	VA	26-Oct-99	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
2	Craborchard Creek	AS-2	Lee	VA	26-Oct-99	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
3	Craborchard Creek	AS-3	Lee	VA	26-Oct-99	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
4	Craborchard Creek	AS-4	Lee	VA	26-Oct-99	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
5	Craborchard Creek	AS-5	Lee	VA	26-Oct-99	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
6	Craborchard Creek	AS-6	Lee	VA	26-Oct-99	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
7	Craborchard Creek	AS-7	Lee	VA	26-Oct-99	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
8	Craborchard Creek	AS-8	Lee	VA	26-Oct-99	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
9	Craborchard Creek	AS-9	Lee	VA	26-Oct-99	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
10	Craborchard Creek	AS-10	Lee	VA	26-Oct-99	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
11	Craborchard Creek	AS-11	Lee	VA	26-Oct-99	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
12	Solomon Fork	AS-1	Pike	KY	9-May-99	RRK, TEH	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	0.012	0.050	504	35.10
13	Solomon Fork	AS-2	Pike	KY	9-May-99	RRK, TEH	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	0.013	0.050	554	13.90
14	Solomon Fork	AS-3	Pike	KY	9-May-99	RRK, TEH	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	0.007	0.300	492	115.00
15	Camp Creek	AS-4	Pike	KY	9-May-99	RRK, TEH	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	0.059	0.600	364	319.00
16	Big Laurel Creek	AS-1	Harlan	KY	26-Feb-01	RRK, TEH	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	0.002	0.005	50	14.70
17	Big Laurel Creek	AS-2	Harlan	KY	26-Feb-01	RRK, TEH	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	0.001	0.004	50	11.80
18	Horse Fork	AS-3	Harlan	KY	26-Feb-01	RRK, TEH	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	0.003	0.006	58	13.70
19	Horse Fork	AS-4	Harlan	KY	26-Feb-01	RRK, TEH	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	0.001	0.005	54	3.80
20	Horse Fork	AS-5	Harlan	KY	26-Feb-01	RRK, TEH	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	0.002	0.004	51	3.50
21	Poor Fork Cumberland River	AS-1	Letcher	KY	14-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
22	Poor Fork Cumberland River	AS-2	Letcher	KY	14-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
23	Poor Fork Cumberland River	AS-3	Letcher	KY	14-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
24	Roberts Branch	AS-4	Letcher	KY	14-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
25	Roberts Branch	AS-5	Letcher	KY	14-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
26	Caney Creek tributary	AS-1	Breathitt	KY	12-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
27	Caney Creek	AS-2	Breathitt	KY	7-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
28	Big Sourwood Branch	AS-3	Breathitt	KY	7-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
29	Caney Creek	AS-4	Breathitt	KY	7-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
30	Big Laurel Branch	AS-5	Breathitt	KY	7-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
31	Little Caney Creek tributary	AS-6	Breathitt	KY	7-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
32	Little Caney Creek tributary	AS-7	Breathitt	KY	12-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
33	Allan Patton Branch	AS-8	Breathitt	KY	7-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
34	Allan Patton Branch tributary	AS-9	Breathitt	KY	7-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
35	Allan Patton Branch tributary	AS-10	Breathitt	KY	7-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
36	Allan Patton Branch tributary	AS-11	Breathitt	KY	7-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
37	Allan Patton Branch	AS-12	Breathitt	KY	12-Nov-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
38	Little Caney Creek	AS-1	Breathitt	KY	25-Mar-98	RRK	Eco-Tech, Inc. hand held meters	.	.	.	3.00
39	Little Caney Creek tributary	AS-2	Breathitt	KY	25-Mar-98	RRK	Eco-Tech, Inc. hand held meters	.	.	.	.
40	Little Caney Creek	AS-3	Breathitt	KY	25-Mar-98	RRK	Eco-Tech, Inc. hand held meters	.	.	.	1.00
41	Little Caney Creek tributary	AS-4	Breathitt	KY	25-Mar-98	RRK	Eco-Tech, Inc. hand held meters	.	.	.	.
42	Big Caney Creek	AS-5	Breathitt	KY	25-Mar-98	RRK	Eco-Tech, Inc. hand held meters	.	.	.	.
43	Quicksand Creek	AS-6	Breathitt	KY	25-Mar-98	RRK	Eco-Tech, Inc. hand held meters	.	.	.	5.00

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 2 of 15)

Record	Location	Site ID	County	State	Date	Collectors	H2O Lab	Total Zinc	Settable Solids	Hardness	Turbidity
44	Quicksand Creek tributary	AS-7	Breathitt	KY	25-Mar-98	RRK	Eco-Tech, Inc. hand held meters	.	.	.	.
45	Left Fork Cloverlick Creek	AS-1	Harlan	KY	24-May-99	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
46	Left Fork Cloverlick Creek	AS-2	Harlan	KY	24-May-99	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
47	Left Fork Cloverlick Creek	AS-3	Harlan	KY	24-May-99	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
48	Laurel Creek tributary	AS-1	Lawrence	KY	1-Dec-00	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	0.000	.	.
49	Birchfield Creek	AS-1	Wise	VA	13-Mar-99	RRK	N/A	.	.	.	.
50	Birchfield Creek	AS-2	Wise	VA	13-Mar-99	RRK	N/A	.	.	.	.
51	Hominy Creek tributary	AS-1	Whitley	KY	21-May-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	14.00
52	Hominy Creek	AS-2	Whitley	KY	21-May-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	8.00
53	Hominy Creek	AS-3	Whitley	KY	21-May-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	6.00
54	Jellico Creek	AS-4	Whitley	KY	21-May-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	10.00
55	Beech Fork	AS-1	Perry	KY	11-Jan-99	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
56	Beech Fork	AS-2	Perry	KY	11-Jan-99	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
57	Beech Fork	AS-3	Perry	KY	11-Jan-99	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
58	Big Branch	AS-1	Breathitt	KY	29-Aug-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
59	North Fork Kentucky River tributary	AS-2	Breathitt	KY	29-Aug-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
60	John Littles Branch	AS-3	Breathitt	KY	29-Aug-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
61	Line Fork Creek	AS-1	Letcher	KY	19-Jun-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
62	Line Fork Creek	AS-2	Letcher	KY	19-Jun-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
63	Long Branch	AS-3	Letcher	KY	19-Jun-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
64	Long Branch	AS-4	Letcher	KY	19-Jun-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
65	Long Branch	AS-5	Letcher	KY	19-Jun-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
66	Long Branch tributary	AS-6	Letcher	KY	19-Jun-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
67	Right Fork Beaver Creek	AS-1	Knott	KY	16-Sep-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
68	Right Fork Beaver Creek	AS-2	Knott	KY	16-Sep-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
69	Richie Branch	AS-1	Breathitt	KY	13-Aug-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
70	Richie Branch	AS-2	Breathitt	KY	13-Aug-98	RRK	Technical Water Laboratories, Inc.	.	.	.	.
71	EFLSR	AS-1	Greenup	KY	18-Sep-97	RRK	Eco-Tech, Inc. hand held meters	.	.	.	16.00
72	Pond Creek	AS-1	Pike	KY	26-May-96	RRK	Eco-Tech, Inc. hand held meters	.	.	.	.
73	Trace Fork	AS-1	Letcher	KY	6-Jun-00	TEH	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	4.63
74	Trace Fork	AS-2	Letcher	KY	6-Jun-00	TEH	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	3.80
75	Trace Fork	AS-3	Letcher	KY	6-Jun-00	TEH	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	6.76
76	Trace Fork	AS-4	Letcher	KY	6-Jun-00	TEH	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	2.70
77	Potcamp Fork	AS-1	Wise	VA	23-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	13.90
78	Potcamp Fork	AS-2	Wise	VA	23-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	6.63
79	Whitley Fork	AS-3	Wise	VA	23-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	0.71
80	Whitley Fork	AS-4	Wise	VA	23-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	5.04
81	Whitley Fork	AS-5	Wise	VA	23-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	6.52
82	Potcamp Fork tributary	AS-6	Wise	VA	23-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	0.59
83	Nine Mile Spur	AS-1	Wise	VA	22-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	15.30
84	Nine Mile Spur	AS-2	Wise	VA	24-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	0.50
85	Nine Mile Spur	AS-3	Wise	VA	24-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	10.96
86	Nine Mile Spur	AS-4	Wise	VA	24-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	7.55

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 3 of 15)

Record	Location	Site ID	County	State	Date	Collectors	H2O Lab	Total Zinc	Settable Solids	Hardness	Turbidity
87	Nine Mile Spur	AS-5	Wise	VA	24-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	8.27
88	Nine Mile Spur	AS-6	Wise	VA	24-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	16.30
89	Nine Mile Spur	AS-8	Wise	VA	22-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	11.70
90	Fawn Branch	AS-1	Lee	VA	11-Feb-00	RRK	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	10.81
91	Fawn Branch	AS-2	Lee	VA	11-Feb-00	RRK	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	10.48
92	Roda	AS-1	Wise	VA	7-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
93	Roda	AS-2	Wise	VA	7-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
94	Roda	AS-3	Wise	VA	7-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
95	Roda	AS-4	Wise	VA	7-Mar-00	RRK	ATS hand held meters	.	.	.	.
96	Mud Lick Creek	AS-1	Wise	VA	10-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	7.50
97	Mud Lick Creek tributary	AS-2	Wise	VA	10-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	9.38
98	Mud Lick Creek tributary	AS-3	Wise	VA	9-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	8.13
99	Mud Lick Creek tributary	AS-4	Wise	VA	9-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	4.49
100	Mud Lick Creek tributary	AS-5	Wise	VA	9-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	3.60
101	Mud Lick Creek tributary	AS-6	Wise	VA	9-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	5.96
102	Mud Lick Creek	AS-7	Wise	VA	10-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	18.70
103	Line Fork Creek	AS-1	Letcher	KY	26-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Technical Water laboratories, Inc	.	.	.	2.20
104	Little Laurelpitch Branch	AS-2	Letcher	KY	26-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Technical Water laboratories, Inc	.	.	.	5.50
105	Laurelpitch Branch	AS-3	Letcher	KY	26-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Technical Water laboratories, Inc	.	.	.	4.20
106	Laurelpitch Branch	AS-4	Letcher	KY	26-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Technical Water laboratories, Inc	.	.	.	4.70
107	Trace Branch tributary	AS-5	Letcher	KY	26-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Technical Water laboratories, Inc	.	.	.	17.00
108	Trace Branch tributary	AS-6	Letcher	KY	26-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Technical Water laboratories, Inc	.	.	.	9.10
109	Trace Branch	AS-7	Letcher	KY	26-Apr-01	RRK,THE	Technical Water laboratories, Inc	.	.	.	1.60
110	Dumps Creek - Averages	UBC-1	Wise	VA				.	.	.	.
111	Dumps Creek - Averages	UBC-2	Wise	VA				.	.	.	.
112	Dumps Creek - Averages	UBC-3	Wise	VA				.	.	.	.
113	Dumps Creek - Averages	LBC-1	Wise	VA				.	.	.	.
114	Dismal Creek, Above Whitehead	DIS017.94	Buchanan	VA	8-Jun-00	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
115	Dismal Creek, Above Whitehead	DIS017.94	Buchanan	VA	15-Sep-99	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
116	Dumps Creek - Averages	DUM001.09						.	.	.	.
117	N. F. Holston	NFH098.47	Smyth	VA	11-Apr-95	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
118	N. F. Holston	NFH098.47	Smyth	VA	27-Nov-95	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
119	N. F. Holston	NFH098.47	Smyth	VA	22-May-97	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
120	N. F. Holston	NFH098.47	Smyth	VA	7-Oct-97	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
121	N. F. Holston	NFH098.47	Smyth	VA	29-Jun-98	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
122	N. F. Holston	NFH098.47	Smyth	VA	2-Dec-98	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
123	S. F. Powell	PLL002.55	Wise	VA	18-Apr-96	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
124	S. F. Powell	PLL002.55	Wise	VA	20-Nov-97	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
125	S. F. Powell	PLL002.55	Wise	VA	31-Aug-98	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
126	S. F. Powell	PLL006.50	Wise	VA	31-Aug-98	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
127	S. F. Powell	PLL006.50	Wise	VA	8-Sep-99	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
128	Sinking Creek	SNK001.03	Scott	VA	14-Dec-95	DEQ-Cumbow		.	.	.	.
129	Dumps Creek	UBC-1	Wise	VA	11-Oct-01		
130	Dumps Creek	LBC-5	Wise	VA	11-Oct-01		

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Record	Location	Site ID	County	State	Date	Collectors	H2O Lab	Total Zinc	Settable Solids	Hardness	Turbidity
131	Dumps Creek	UBC-2	Wise	VA	11-Oct-01			.	.	.	.
132	Levisa Fork, Above con. W/SlateCr	LEV143.80	Buchanan	VA	26-Nov-01	DMR-Yates	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
133	Dismal Creek, Above Whitewood	DIS017.94	Buchanan	VA	11/26/01	DMR-Yates	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
134	Levisa Fork, At VA-KY state line	LEV130.29	Buchanan	VA	11/26/01	DMR-Abshire	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
135	Garden Creek, Off Rt. 624	GAR000.16	Buchanan	VA	11/26/01	DMR-Yates	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
136	Russell Prater, Haysi, Rt. 767	RPC000.52	Dickenson	VA	11/26/01	DMR - Yates	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
137	McClure River, In Haysi	MCR000.55	Dickenson	VA	11/26/01	DMR - Yates	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
138	Lick Creek, Rt. 63 @ pump station	LCC006.44	Russell	VA	11/26/01	DMR - Yates	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
139	Fryingpan Creek, Off Rt. 80	FRY002.25	Buchanan	VA	11/26/01	DMR - Yates	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
140	Dumps Creek, Rt. 615 bridge	DUM001.09	Russell	VA	11/26/01	DMR - Yates	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
141	Clinch River, Above APCO	CLN269.57	Russell	VA	11/26/01	DMR - Yates	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
142	Big Cedar Creek, Rt. 721	BCD001.84	Russell	VA	11/26/01	DMR - Yates	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
143	Lewis Creek, Rt. 624, below STP	LWS000.90	Russell	VA	11/26/01	DMR - Yates	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
144	Bailey's Trace, Rt. 634	BAI000.26	Lee	VA	10/31/01	DMR - O'Quinn	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	.
145	Straight Creek, Below con. W/StoneCr	SRA000.11	Lee	VA	10/31/01	DMR - O'Quinn	Environmental Monitoring, Inc.	.	.	.	.
146	Big Moccasin Creek, Rte 796 bridge	BMC004.36	Scott	VA	12/18/01	DMR-Abshire	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
147	Clinch River, at Tennessee St. Line	CLN203.54	Scott	VA	12/18/01	DMR-Abshire	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
148	South Fork Powell River, off Rte 613	PLL002.55	Wise	VA	12/18/01	DMR-Abshire	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
149	South Fork Powell River, Rte 616	PLL006.50	Wise	VA	12/18/01	DMR-Abshire	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
150	Pound River, Rte 666 bridge	PNR028.76	Wise	VA	12/18/01	DMR-Abshire	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
151	South Fork Pound River, 1/2 mile above N.F. Pound	PNS000.40	Wise	VA	12/18/01	DMR-Abshire	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
152	South Fork Pound River, Rte 671@Roberts Pound	PNS004.98	Wise	VA	12/18/01	DMR-Abshire	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
153	South Fork Pound River, Rte 627 below mining operation	PNS008.73	Wise	VA	12/18/01	DMR-Abshire	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
154	Sinking Creek, Rte 683	SNK001.03	Scott	VA	12/18/01	DMR-Abshire	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
155	Stock Creek, below Foote Mineral	STO004.73	Scott	VA	12/18/01	DMR-Abshire	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
156	Chaney Creek upstream	W01-112-02	Russell	VA	01/28/02	DMR J. O'Quinn, B. Lambert	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
157	Chaney Creek downstream	W01-111-02	Russell	VA	01/28/02	DMR J. O'Quinn, B. Lambert	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
158	Dumps above confluence at Chaney	W01-109-02	Russell	VA	01/28/02	DMR J. O'Quinn, B. Lambert	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
159	Dumps below Pond PN 1101681	W01-108-02	Russell	VA	01/28/02	DMR J. O'Quinn, B. Lambert	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
160	Dumps below Pond PN 1101607	W01-107-02	Russell	VA	01/28/02	DMR J. O'Quinn, B. Lambert	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
161	Dumps above Hurricane Fork	W01-106-02	Russell	VA	01/28/02	DMR J. O'Quinn, B. Lambert	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
162	Hurricane below Pile	W01-105-02	Russell	VA	01/28/02	DMR J. O'Quinn, B. Lambert	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
163	Hurricane above Pile	W01-104-02	Russell	VA	01/28/02	DMR J. O'Quinn, B. Lambert	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
164	Upstream Hurricane	W01-103-02	Russell	VA	01/28/02	DMR J. O'Quinn, B. Lambert	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.
165	Dumps at confluence at Clinch River	W01-110-02	Russell	VA	01/28/02	DMR J. O'Quinn, B. Lambert	Summit Engineering Inc.	.	.	.	.

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 5 of 15)

Record	Location	Site ID	County	State	Date	Collectors	H2O Lab	Total Zinc	Settable Solids	Hardness	Turbidity
166	Powell River, upstream from Buckeye Branch	MT01	Wise	VA	16-Sep-98	Jeff Robinson	Summit Engineering, Inc.	.	.	.	10.00
167	Powell River, upstream from proposed Pond No. 8	MT01	Wise	VA	16-Sep-98	Jeff Robinson	Summit Engineering, Inc.	.	.	.	4.5
168	Powell River	MT01	Wise	VA	16-Sep-98	Jeff Robinson	Summit Engineering, Inc.	.	.	.	7.1
169	Bull Run (Downstream)	MT02	Wise	VA	14-Mar-00		Spectrum Laboratories, D.R.Allen	.	.	.	.
170	Bull Run (Upstream)	MT02	Wise	VA	14-Mar-00		Spectrum Laboratories, D.R.Allen	.	.	.	.
171	Dry Fork (Downstream)	MT02	Wise	VA	14-Mar-00		Spectrum Laboratories, D.R.Allen	.	.	.	.
172	Dry Fork (Upstream)	MT02	Wise	VA	14-Mar-00		Spectrum Laboratories, D.R.Allen	.	.	.	.
173	Tributary to Bull Run	MT02	Wise	VA	29-Jun-00		Spectrum Laboratories, D.R.Allen	.	.	.	.
174	Tributary to Bull Run	MT02	Wise	VA	29-Jun-00		Spectrum Laboratories, D.R.Allen	.	.	.	.
175	Tributary to Bull Run	MT02	Wise	VA	29-Jun-00		Spectrum Laboratories, D.R.Allen	.	.	.	.
176	Tributary to Dry Fork	MT02	Wise	VA	29-Jun-00		Spectrum Laboratories, D.R.Allen	.	.	.	.
177	Tributary to Dry Fork	MT02	Wise	VA	29-Jun-00		Spectrum Laboratories, D.R.Allen	.	.	.	.
178	Creger Branch	MT03	Wise	VA	11-Jan-01		D.R.Allen	.	.	.	.

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 6 of 15)

Record	Discharge	Dissolved Manganese	Dissolved Iron	pH	Acidity to pH 8.3	Alkalinity to pH 4.5	Total Iron	Total Manganese	Total Suspended Solids	Total Dissolved Solids	Sulfates	H2O Temperature	Specific Conductivity	Dissolved Oxygen
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3	.	.	.	8.75
4	.	.	.	4.89
5	.	.	.	7.32
6	.	.	.	7.41
7	.	.	.	7.40
8	.	.	.	6.86
9	.	.	.	7.70
10	.	.	.	8.17
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12	2.400	0.01	0.01	8.88	0.50	134.00	1.020	0.130	75.00	731.00	393.00	18.10	865.00	3.66
13	0.500	0.01	0.01	8.89	0.50	147.00	0.690	0.080	50.00	862.00	413.00	17.30	934.00	3.22
14	1.700	0.03	0.21	9.14	0.50	123.00	4.000	0.380	177.00	706.00	393.00	16.90	784.00	2.84
15	0.500	0.01	0.06	8.70	0.50	104.00	7.000	0.620	268.00	504.00	309.00	20.70	608.00	2.96
16	26.200	0.09	0.06	7.79	0.50	80.70	0.150	0.200	9.00	60.00	26.00	8.60	102.00	5.64
17	35.100	0.14	0.17	7.40	0.50	80.96	0.220	0.260	11.00	65.00	30.00	8.40	110.00	7.60
18	4.900	0.25	0.19	7.94	0.50	81.10	0.310	0.400	9.00	73.00	33.00	9.20	124.00	5.67
19	7.600	0.13	0.12	7.60	0.50	83.44	0.250	0.320	10.00	72.00	27.00	8.30	122.00	3.68
20	3.300	0.04	0.08	7.86	0.50	81.36	0.100	0.220	11.00	65.00	30.00	8.00	110.00	3.86
21	7.200	0.02	0.01	7.50	0.50	110.04	0.030	0.050	1.00	319.00	60.00	6.70	540.00	15.00
22	7.700	0.16	0.16	7.70	0.50	111.02	0.200	0.200	2.00	419.00	60.00	6.70	710.00	15.00
23	8.600	0.15	0.21	7.80	0.50	111.06	0.250	0.200	1.00	419.00	55.00	6.10	710.00	15.00
24	.	0.06	0.01	7.90	0.50	115.00	0.010	0.100	2.00	83.00	35.00	5.60	140.00	7.00
25	0.300	0.01	0.24	7.30	0.50	79.00	0.300	0.020	2.00	71.00	25.00	10.00	120.00	6.00
26	.	0.06	0.43	7.40	0.50	84.00	0.500	0.100	7.00	24.00	10.00	16.70	40.00	13.00
27	1.990	0.03	0.24	8.20	0.50	110.00	0.300	0.060	14.00	212.00	95.00	15.60	360.00	16.00
28	.	0.01	0.10	7.90	0.50	125.00	0.140	0.010	6.00	47.00	25.00	15.60	80.00	10.00
29	2.690	0.01	0.10	7.90	0.50	93.00	0.120	0.040	5.00	224.00	85.00	15.00	380.00	18.00
30	.	0.42	0.21	7.80	0.50	121.00	0.290	0.500	11.00	106.00	65.00	17.80	180.00	12.00
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32	0.110	0.38	0.10	7.80	0.50	102.00	0.130	0.430	8.00	59.00	35.00	17.20	100.00	10.00
33	0.660	0.01	0.09	7.50	0.50	89.00	0.120	0.020	10.00	106.00	55.00	17.20	180.00	12.00
34	.	0.13	0.04	7.30	0.50	128.00	0.080	0.190	11.00	130.00	80.00	17.80	220.00	9.00
35	.	0.02	0.23	7.70	0.50	135.00	0.300	0.060	15.00	177.00	90.00	16.70	300.00	7.00
36	.	0.12	4.35	8.00	0.50	141.00	4.500	0.170	25.00	148.00	70.00	17.20	250.00	11.00
37	0.360	0.16	0.43	7.30	0.50	109.00	0.500	0.200	9.00	71.00	40.00	17.80	120.00	8.00
38	10.500	.	.	7.50	.	.	0.200	0.050	.	.	.	6.00	155.00	.
39	0.350	.	.	7.50	.	.	0.000	0.000	.	.	.	8.00	110.00	.
40	28.800	.	.	7.50	.	.	0.120	0.100	.	.	.	9.50	150.00	.
41	0.400	.	.	7.30	.	.	0.060	0.100	.	.	.	9.00	95.00	.
42	96.000	.	.	7.40	.	.	0.050	0.100	.	.	.	10.00	330.00	.
43	216.000	.	.	7.50	.	.	0.170	0.050	.	.	.	10.00	280.00	.

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 7 of 15)

Record	Discharge	Dissolved Manganese	Dissolved Iron	pH	Acidity to pH 8.3	Alkalinity to pH 4.5	Total Iron	Total Manganese	Total Suspended Solids	Total Dissolved Solids	Sulfates	H2O Temperature	Specific Conductivity	Dissolved Oxygen
44	.	.	.	7.50	.	.	0.000	0.100	.	.	.	11.00	81.00	.
45	0.400	0.01	0.01	8.20	0.50	110.00	0.040	0.010	2.00	47.00	20.00	12.20	80.00	17.00
46	0.400	0.01	0.01	8.20	0.50	108.00	0.030	0.010	3.00	47.00	18.00	12.20	82.00	16.00
47	0.600	0.01	0.02	8.20	0.50	115.00	0.080	0.030	2.00	60.00	30.00	12.20	110.00	16.00
48	.	0.01	0.01	7.70	0.50	110.70	0.060	0.020	1.00	21.00	5.00	5.50	52.30	4.93
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51	1.000	0.63	0.10	8.00	17.00	40.00	0.150	0.630	5.00	106.00	75.00	12.20	180.00	.
52	3.000	0.03	0.02	8.00	20.00	60.00	0.050	0.050	6.00	130.00	90.00	12.80	220.00	.
53	5.000	0.05	0.03	7.20	18.00	60.00	0.050	0.070	5.00	124.00	80.00	12.20	210.00	.
54	110.000	0.00	0.07	7.40	23.00	44.00	0.100	0.010	15.00	83.00	30.00	12.80	140.00	.
55	6.800	0.10	0.58	7.21	0.50	12.00	0.620	0.130	7.00	53.00	10.00	3.90	90.00	12.00
56	4.500	0.10	0.53	7.19	0.50	12.00	0.580	0.120	5.00	47.00	9.00	3.90	80.00	13.00
57	4.800	0.07	0.54	7.17	0.50	12.00	0.600	0.100	5.00	47.00	9.00	3.90	80.00	13.00
58	0.240	0.01	0.02	7.70	0.50	30.00	0.050	0.020	12.00	18.00	5.00	17.80	30.00	12.00
59	.	0.01	0.01	7.80	0.50	28.00	0.040	0.010	10.00	18.00	8.00	17.80	30.00	8.00
60	0.320	0.01	0.02	8.00	0.50	35.00	0.050	0.020	8.00	18.00	5.00	17.80	30.00	12.00
61	7.700	0.01	0.05	8.20	20.00	100.00	0.080	0.020	5.00	59.00	20.00	13.90	100.00	10.00
62	9.200	0.01	0.02	8.30	30.00	80.00	0.050	0.010	8.00	59.00	10.00	13.90	100.00	11.00
63	0.700	0.01	0.01	8.30	20.00	42.00	0.090	0.010	10.00	24.00	8.00	15.00	40.00	9.00
64	0.500	0.01	0.02	8.50	16.00	44.00	0.050	0.010	5.00	18.00	10.00	14.40	30.00	9.00
65	.	0.01	0.11	8.40	12.00	60.00	0.150	0.020	8.00	18.00	10.00	14.40	30.00	8.00
66	0.400	0.01	0.07	8.20	15.00	58.00	0.100	0.020	5.00	24.00	10.00	13.90	40.00	7.00
67	5.600	0.10	0.26	7.70	0.50	125.00	0.300	0.150	15.00	370.00	160.00	16.10	30.00	7.00
68	6.100	0.14	0.30	7.70	0.50	134.00	0.350	0.200	18.00	372.00	140.00	16.10	630.00	7.00
69	.	0.01	0.13	8.00	0.50	80.00	0.180	0.030	8.00	113.00	60.00	10.00	191.00	12.00
70	.	0.01	0.02	8.10	0.50	98.00	0.060	0.010	11.00	71.00	40.00	10.50	120.00	11.00
71	.	.	.	5.90	124.00	.	0.700	.	.	.	90.00	22.00	550.00	.
72	.	.	.	7.60	.	.	2.000	.	.	.	40.00	17.00	425.00	.
73	1.785	.	.	9.14	0.50	57.00	0.850	0.110	17.00	198.00	30.00	15.50	290.00	2.03
74	1.172	.	.	9.04	0.50	41.00	10.200	1.330	15.00	154.00	32.00	19.30	260.00	1.93
75	0.355	.	.	9.09	0.50	22.00	1.600	0.410	14.00	67.00	17.00	14.60	100.00	1.76
76	0.701	.	.	8.56	0.50	50.00	0.980	0.170	15.00	198.00	61.00	15.20	300.00	1.82
77	29.850	.	.	8.54	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14.60	585.00	1.78
78	17.270	.	.	8.60	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15.00	760.00	1.96
79	2.360	.	.	8.38	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10.20	130.70	1.55
80	2.510	.	.	8.57	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10.40	128.10	1.70
81	3.230	.	.	8.29	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10.50	90.70	2.34
82	1.690	.	.	8.80	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9.00	83.20	2.23
83	.	.	.	8.61	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	12.60	177.30	2.56
84	.	.	.	8.85	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11.20	44.90	1.60
85	.	.	.	8.50	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11.90	171.60	2.06
86	.	.	.	8.58	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14.10	188.50	1.51

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 8 of 15)

Record	Discharge	Dissolved Manganese	Dissolved Iron	pH	Acidity to pH 8.3	Alkalinity to pH 4.5	Total Iron	Total Manganese	Total Suspended Solids	Total Dissolved Solids	Sulfates	H2O Temperature	Specific Conductivity	Dissolved Oxygen
87	.	.	.	8.51	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13.30	176.80	2.33
88	.	.	.	8.49	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13.00	196.50	2.19
89	.	.	.	8.45	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11.20	104.00	3.15
90	.	.	.	8.69	0.50	59.00	0.330	0.050	22.00	180.00	82.00	7.20	191.60	2.37
91	.	.	.	8.76	0.50	58.00	1.100	0.080	18.00	168.00	127.00	7.00	197.40	2.72
92	.	.	.	9.56	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14.80	337.70	4.38
93	.	.	.	9.31	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14.10	348.70	3.86
94	.	.	.	8.13	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9.30	132.80	5.14
95	.	.	.	8.80	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10.80	265.40	4.70
96	.	.	.	8.72	0.50	112.00	0.160	0.040	18.00	232.00	53.00	18.40	474.00	1.25
97	.	.	.	8.31	0.50	22.00	0.150	0.050	24.00	64.00	19.00	14.30	38.20	1.63
98	.	.	.	7.77	0.50	22.00	0.150	0.040	12.00	40.00	16.00	14.80	83.20	3.91
99	.	.	.	8.35	0.50	80.00	0.070	0.020	6.00	1545.00	13.00	14.30	237.90	3.29
100	.	.	.	8.39	0.50	106.00	0.130	0.030	8.00	238.00	20.00	13.20	247.20	3.61
101	.	.	.	8.28	0.50	76.00	0.110	0.010	9.00	154.00	17.00	12.70	189.60	4.29
102	.	.	.	8.40	0.50	87.00	0.440	0.070	30.00	558.00	130.00	14.50	678.00	2.43
103	.	.	.	8.18	0.50	80.00	0.150	0.110	2.00	50.00	25.00	11.10	151.50	2.24
104	.	.	.	8.11	0.50	33.00	0.300	0.160	1.00	77.00	66.00	12.50	52.80	2.00
105	.	.	.	8.01	0.50	40.00	0.300	0.140	3.00	65.00	70.00	13.40	99.00	1.95
106	.	.	.	8.49	0.50	75.00	0.220	0.300	5.00	80.00	36.00	14.30	108.10	1.97
107	.	.	.	8.13	0.50	15.00	0.200	0.110	2.00	24.00	46.00	11.40	61.90	2.29
108	.	.	.	8.01	0.50	26.00	0.180	0.060	3.00	38.00	29.00	11.40	66.30	2.19
109	.	.	.	7.88	0.50	82.00	0.260	0.900	4.00	40.00	45.00	12.80	192.50	2.02
110	.	0.08	0.22	7.03	0.05	73.50	0.314	8.282	16.75	172.03	62.89	5.60	397.29	.
111	.	0.08	0.22	7.23	0.05	36.90	0.100	0.120	9.00	300.80	170.75	11.60	492.50	.
112	.	0.08	0.22	7.24	7.45	37.48	1.760	1.530	22.76	676.81	443.74	13.23	894.45	.
113	.	0.08	0.22	6.81	12.73	34.49	1.090	1.180	18.71	647.78	431.17	12.78	854.54	.
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116	7073.7681	0.08	0.22	7.762318	0	244.08696	0.3787879	0.1	12.826087	414.78261	80.8	13.153846	629.66667	-
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129	.	0.01	0.06	7	0.5	51	8.4	0.08	2	275	149	.	340	.
130	.	0.69	0.02	7.5	0.5	58	21.2	0.84	2	1145	634	.	1320	.

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 9 of 15)

Record	Discharge	Dissolved Manganese	Dissolved Iron	pH	Acidity to pH 8.3	Alkalinity to pH 4.5	Total Iron	Total Manganese	Total Suspended Solids	Total Dissolved Solids	Sulfates	H2O Temperature	Specific Conductivity	Dissolved Oxygen
131	.	1.4	0.16	7.1	0.5	53	0.26	1.41	2	1000	548	.	1300	.
132	.	0.01	0.15	7.21	0.5	179	0.15	0.01	1.2	658	176	.	1007	.
133	.	0.02	0.14	7.33	0.5	170	0.18	0.02	10	332	104	.	488	.
134	.	0.02	0.11	8.65	0.5	138	0.12	0.02	10	702	278	.	960	.
135	.	0.02	0.08	7.39	0.5	204	0.09	0.02	3.2	1794	181	.	2800	.
136	.	0.01	0.15	7.48	0.5	103	0.16	0.02	2	846	508	.	909	.
137	.	0.01	0.12	7	0.5	237	0.15	0.01	1.6	542	203	.	864	.
138	.	0.05	0.08	7	0.5	69	0.1	0.05	24.8	394	197	.	569	.
139	.	0.02	0.08	8	0.5	369	0.11	0.02	3.6	648	148	.	925	.
140	.	0.02	0.09	8.63	0.5	444	0.13	0.03	2	664	84	.	981	.
141	.	0.02	0.04	8.41	0.5	156	0.06	0.02	1.6	268	31	.	382	.
142	.	0.01	0.04	8.8	0.5	174	0.06	0.01	1.2	270	13.9	.	390	.
143	.	0.01	0.07	8.42	0.5	134	0.09	0.02	7.2	300	74	.	428	.
144	.	0.01	0.03	8.5	0.5	156	0.1	0.01	11	1004	619	.	1070	.
145	.	0.01	0.01	8.5	0.5	131	0.1	0.01	7	615	352	.	730	.
146	.	0.01	0.07	8.1	0.5	160	0.11	0.04	1.6	216	3	.	310	.
147	.	0.01	0.09	8.2	0.5	115	0.11	0.01	2	194	44	.	280	.
148	.	0.03	0.19	7.7	0.5	85	0.23	0.04	6	182	40	.	250	.
149	.	0.02	0.26	7.5	0.5	26	0.31	0.02	6.8	54	11	.	60	.
150	.	0.14	0.15	7.9	0.5	115	0.19	0.14	2.4	758	431	.	850	.
151	.	0.22	0.21	7.8	0.5	103	0.29	0.24	1.6	782	457	.	920	.
152	.	0.71	0.12	8	0.5	162	0.46	0.79	4.8	1218	739	.	1390	.
153	.	0.9	0.16	8.1	0.5	192	1.25	1.08	6	1406	903	.	1580	.
154	.	0.01	0.07	8	0.5	194	0.09	0.01	3.2	288	16	.	410	.
155	.	0.02	0.12	7.8	0.5	48	0.13	0.02	1.2	76	12	.	110	.
156	.	0.04	0.33	7.74	0.5	54	1.78	0.05	5.6	294	129	.	412	.
157	.	0.02	0.15	7.78	0.5	70	0.46	0.02	4	220	68	.	343	.
158	.	0.02	0.15	7.77	0.5	95	0.23	0.02	10	288	84	.	404	.
159	.	0.01	0.11	8.15	0.5	167	0.4	0.02	9.6	420	104	.	580	.
160	.	0.04	0.09	8.39	0.5	331	0.29	0.05	3.6	540	104	.	775	.
161	.	0.04	0.32	8.19	0.5	159	1.89	0.05	22.4	388	104	.	555	.
162	.	0.02	0.11	7.31	0.5	41	0.18	0.03	1.6	184	76	.	260	.
163	.	0.02	0.12	7.27	0.5	37	0.21	0.03	3.2	186	82	.	270	.
164	.	0.01	0.03	7.12	0.5	53	0.05	0.01	1.6	300	136	.	400	.
165	.	0.03	0.21	7.77	0.5	97	0.44	0.03	25.6	286	88	.	408	.

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 10 of 15)

Record	Discharge	Dissolved Manganese	Dissolved Iron	pH	Acidity to pH 8.3	Alkalinity to pH 4.5	Total Iron	Total Manganese	Total Suspended Solids	Total Dissolved Solids	Sulfates	H2O Temperature	Specific Conductivity	Dissolved Oxygen
166	.	0.27	0.36	7.40	0.5	91	0.55	0.31	2	360	294	19.0	370	7.20
167	.	0.01	0.02	8.07	0.5	145	0.06	0.01	2	786	634	18.0	910	8.40
168	.	0.01	0.02	6.60	0.5	29	0.04	0.01	2	70	37	17	118	6
169	.	.	.	7.47	0.5	37	0.115	0.01	0.5	187	67.8	21.2	283	.
170	.	.	.	6.85	0.5	41	0.208	0.059	0.5	168	82.6	12.8	268	.
171	.	.	.	7.36	0.5	64	0.104	0.027	1	307	152	13.8	434	.
172	.	.	.	7.51	0.5	29	0.086	0.01	0.5	216	97.1	14.6	301	.
173	.	.	.	7.77	0.5	69	0.76	0.033	30	166	68.9	18.8	251	.
174	.	.	.	8.54	0.5	242	0.432	0.01	14	342	84.5	18.9	545	.
175	.	.	.	7.82	0.5	140	0.145	0.01	3	441	197	19.3	598	.
176	.	.	.	8.09	0.5	140	0.038	0.01	0.5	288	115	24.3	401	.
177	.	.	.	8.15	0.5	132	1.10	0.059	54	425	167	20.1	516	.
178	.	.	.	8.06	10	24	0.01	0.01	0.5	81	39	.	140	.

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 11 of 15)

Record	Taxa Richness	Modified Family Biotic Index	Scraper to Filtering Collector Ratio	EPT to Chironomid Ratio	Percent Contribution of Dominant Family	EPT Index	Shredder to Total Ratio
1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	7	6.491	0.000	1.000	0.273	4	.
4	10	6.770	0.000	10.000	0.222	2	.
5	11	6.810	0.417	0.000	0.375	0	.
6	5	5.757	0.000	2.000	0.286	1	.
7	7	6.624	0.000	0.286	0.333	2	.
8	4	8.446	0.000	0.000	0.583	0	.
9	8	4.920	0.000	4.333	0.481	3	.
10	4	3.536	0.000	90.000	0.865	2	.
11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
12	.	4.770	.	4.914	.	.	0.451
13	.	4.270	.	42.250	.	.	0.348
14	.	5.810	.	8.250	.	.	0.235
15	.	4.680	.	25.500	.	.	0.276
16	18	3.837	1.111	35.300	0.214	12	0.441
17	20	3.857	0.529	6.700	0.130	10	0.123
18	19	4.010	0.895	34.300	0.251	13	0.514
19	20	3.789	1.083	12.100	0.120	11	0.352
20	17	3.058	0.240	17.100	0.152	11	0.284
21	24	4.438	0.161	15.100	0.495	8	0.093
22	22	4.633	0.099	12.800	0.624	7	0.020
23	22	4.665	0.077	14.300	0.575	8	0.008
24	15	4.603	1.200	10.700	0.254	7	0.164
25	20	3.637	5.467	28.100	0.431	10	0.067
26	12	4.202	6.000	19.300	0.636	6	0.039
27	19	4.403	1.262	78.300	0.251	10	0.063
28	10	3.956	36.000	88.000	0.386	5	0.014
29	18	4.307	4.554	143.600	0.302	10	0.171
30	12	4.774	5.000	44.000	0.160	7	0.020
31	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
32	14	3.571	3.000	27.000	0.534	8	0.041
33	18	4.330	0.394	35.100	0.271	9	0.044
34	16	4.290	4.636	5.800	0.238	9	0.006
35	20	4.168	0.194	22.400	0.495	11	0.047
36	12	3.580	0.071	154.000	0.552	6	0.012
37	21	3.774	0.369	28.800	0.283	11	0.027
38	22	4.719	13.000	4.050	0.146	12	0.128
39	16	4.011	2.051	65.330	0.225	9	0.305
40	21	4.508	15.500	4.240	0.205	12	0.120
41	17	4.055	8.250	37.000	0.162	9	0.370
42	23	4.283	12.500	1.700	0.303	12	0.260
43	.	.	.	.	.	.	.

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 12 of 15)

Record	Taxa Richness	Modified Family Biotic Index	Scraper to Filtering Collector Ratio	EPT to Chironomid Ratio	Percent Contribution of Dominant Family	EPT Index	Shredder to Total Ratio
44	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
45	17	3.414	0.613	30.750	0.259	12	0.178
46	15	3.840	0.455	94.000	0.386	13	0.075
47	18	3.738	1.960	50.670	0.235	13	0.128
48	.	3.823	.	8.120	.	.	0.492
49	.	4.911	.	2.810	.	.	0.073
50	.	5.452	.	2.790	.	.	0.081
51	12	4.965	1.000	18.000	0.243	5	0.081
52	18	4.503	0.311	25.400	0.223	9	0.094
53	16	4.538	0.218	32.500	0.340	7	0.068
54	16	4.180	1.944	78.000	0.274	7	0.095
55	10	6.939	0.000	4.500	0.409	4	0.455
56	19	4.241	0.864	36.000	0.150	9	0.230
57	16	4.630	1.895	10.000	0.242	6	0.194
58	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
59	5	4.575	0.000	83.000	0.742	2	0.191
60	17	4.557	1.120	5.290	0.251	10	0.045
61	14	4.895	1.025	3.730	0.229	5	0.011
62	14	5.399	0.605	4.780	0.348	5	0.039
63	19	4.123	2.000	24.250	0.364	12	0.113
64	16	3.936	1.240	8.440	0.147	10	0.266
65	6	5.748	12.000	26.000	0.400	4	0.400
66	15	3.668	0.156	25.000	0.348	11	0.163
67	16	5.739	0.059	44.330	0.671	6	0.035
68	15	5.974	0.028	57.000	0.562	6	0.067
69	15	5.126	1.000	2.500	0.188	6	0.073
70	15	4.632	0.667	2.450	0.208	6	0.049
71	.	5.829	.	10.000	.	.	0.187
72	12	7.155	10.000	0.000	0.160	0	0.147
73	18	4.659	0.943	1.870	0.218	8	0.000
74	16	4.120	7.000	4.220	0.211	4	0.009
75	18	4.197	9.500	10.500	0.238	5	0.032
76	12	4.062	3.571	0.820	0.382	6	0.029
77	.	4.170	.	7.830	.	.	0.213
78	.	4.897	.	2.680	.	.	0.221
79	.	5.051	.	2.320	.	.	0.178
80	.	3.929	.	20.670	.	.	0.051
81	.	4.132	.	5.000	.	.	0.065
82	.	4.790	.	21.330	.	.	0.539
83	.	4.539	.	4.410	.	.	0.055
84	.	4.371	.	16.130	.	.	0.180
85	.	4.072	.	21.900	.	.	0.086
86	.	3.679	.	30.220	.	.	0.214

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 13 of 15)

Record	Taxa Richness	Modified Family Biotic Index	Scraper to Filtering Collector Ratio	EPT to Chironomid Ratio	Percent Contribution of Dominant Family	EPT Index	Shredder to Total Ratio
87	.	4.099	.	116.500	.	.	0.107
88	.	3.735	.	106.330	.	.	0.142
89	.	4.455	.	48.330	.	.	0.171
90	.	4.064	.	15.250	.	.	0.089
91	.	4.409	.	35.670	.	.	0.063
92	.	4.125	.	6.090	.	.	0.104
93	.	4.843	.	0.460	.	.	0.010
94	.	4.023	.	7.290	.	.	0.116
95	.	3.806	.	9.890	.	.	0.147
96	.	4.666	.	8.920	.	.	0.067
97	.	4.319	.	15.910	.	.	0.193
98	.	4.262	.	57.500	.	.	0.180
99	.	4.395	.	7.880	.	.	0.078
100	.	4.062	.	9.410	.	.	0.132
101	.	4.059	.	8.760	.	.	0.214
102	.	4.295	.	1.640	.	.	0.144
103	.	4.656	.	59.000	.	.	0.087
104	.	2.468	.	304.000	.	.	0.169
105	.	3.166	.	306.000	.	.	0.012
106	.	2.682	.	498.000	.	.	0.058
107	.	1.885	.	204.000	.	.	0.022
108	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
109	.	2.614	.	44.000	.	.	0.076
110	11.5	2.450	10.684	25.465	0.349	4.5	0.426
111	4	5.700	0.000	0.000	0.748	0	0.000
112	4	5.150	0.000	3.250	0.519	1.5	0.080
113	8	5.000	0.000	2.795	0.465	3	0.107
114	11	4.87	0.53	2.474	0.263	5	0
115	11	4.31	0.43	17.25	0.279	5	0
116	9.8	5.025	1.4567	3.0282	0.3757	3.2	0.0305
117	17	4.69	1.08	1.647	0.257	9	0.028
118	12	3.96	34.67	14	0.695	7	0.008
119	12	4.78	9	0.882	0.306	6	0
120	18	4.09	3.56	21.5	0.333	11	0.04
121	15	3.98	7.25	3.222	0.371	8	0.021
122	22	3.83	4.94	9.667	0.205	11	0.039
123	8	5.24	38	0.167	0.606	2	0.028
124	14	4.23	1.5	4.667	0.296	5	0.014
125	14	3.76	24.33	10.8	0.331	6	0.154
126	17	4.06	1.81	3.938	0.16	7	0.017
127	13	4.08	14.4	2.9	0.33	7	0
128	18	4.51	3.39	4.2	0.299	7	0.065
129	19	2.9	0.045	1.213	0.361	8	0.13
130	12	4.4	0.001	5.545	0.319	5	0.027

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 14 of 15)

Record	Taxa Richness	Modified Family Biotic Index	Scraper to Filtering Collector Ratio	EPT to Chironomid Ratio	Percent Contribution of Dominant Family	EPT Index	Shredder to Total Ratio
131	8	2.9	0	0	0.639	3	0.112
132
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140	7	4.622	0.438	7.5	31.11	3	0.222
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143	11	4.3854167	8.571	3.857	31.25	4	0.01
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148	11	3.643	0.7	10.833	24.49	5	0.092
149
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152	6	4.938	2	1	47.92	1	0.021
153
154
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156	21	4.594	0.150	4.886	0.336	11	0.285
157	20	4.752	0.433	5.158	0.281	10	0.026
158	25	4.991	0.935	1.099	0.361	14	0.072
159	15	4.427	0.270	4.391	0.455	8	0.068
160	16	5.629	0.015	2.008	0.455	5	0.012
161	16	4.766	0.036	3.471	0.455	7	0.044
162	17	4.602	0.554	3.160	0.260	11	0.114
163	22	4.952	0.458	2.617	0.300	12	0.110
164	20	5.547	0.125	4.750	0.397	8	0.332
165	23	5.300	0.590	0.408	0.515	9	0.094

Table 1. Coalfield water quality and biometric data used in developing multi-parameter regression model. (Part 15 of 15)

Record	Taxa Richness	Modified Family Biotic Index	Scraper to Filtering Collector Ratio	EPT to Chironomid Ratio	Percent Contribution of Dominant Family	EPT Index	Shredder to Total Ratio
166	12	4.220	0.000	0.750	0.480	2	0.520
167	18	3.120	0.000	13.500	0.268	8	0.542
168	14	3.806	-	-	0.194	8	0.333
169	12	5.300	1.500	3.500	0.220	4	0.110
170	13	4.630	1.385	11.667	0.310	5	0.140
171	11	4.510	1.800	3.857	0.180	4	0.120
172	11	3.990	8.333	3.429	0.200	4	0.150
173	7	5.780	0.387	-	0.620	2	0.020
174	5	5.880	0.286	-	0.700	2	0.050
175	2	6.588	1.429	-	0.588	1	0.000
176	3	5.700	4.071	-	0.570	1	0.000
177	5	4.340	0.341	-	0.440	2	0.040
178	3	3.840	0.000	-	0.500	2	0.500

Attachment B:

Parameter estimates for regression models.

Taxa Richness Parameter Estimates

<i>Term</i>	<i>Estimate</i>
Intercept	-13.63977
Total Dissolved Solids	-0.095817
ln(Dissolved Iron)	-1.864902
ln(Alkalinity)	1.3806226
ln(Total Iron)	2.4800416
ln(Total Suspended Solids)	-1.210153
ln(Total Dissolved Solids)	8.3427263
sq(Dissolved Manganese)	-15.01613
sq(Alkalinity)	-0.000199
sq(Total Iron)	-0.113899
sq(Total Dissolved Solids)	0.0001697
sq(Sulfates)	-0.000213
sq(Specific Conductivity)	-0.000012

EPT to Chironomid Ratio Parameter Estimates

<i>Term</i>	<i>Estimate</i>
Intercept	-2229.634
Month	1.9479831
Dissolved Iron	28.572764
pH	-251.6265
ln(pH)	2049.2695
ln(Total Manganese)	-4.620988
ln(Total Dissolved Solids)	-15.2653
ln(Sulfates)	14.137845

EPT Index Parameter Estimates

<i>Term</i>	<i>Estimate</i>
Intercept	0.8170468
Month	-0.384057
Total Dissolved Solids	-0.006448
ln(Dissolved Iron)	-0.482156
ln(Alkalinity)	3.1744138
ln(Total Iron)	0.5916336
ln(Total Suspended Solids)	-0.916547
sq(Acidity)	-0.003657
sq(Alkalinity)	-0.000096

MFBI Parameter Estimates

<i>Term</i>	<i>Estimate</i>
Intercept	-1.281441
Dissolved Manganese	4.0053136
Total Dissolved Solids	0.0135048
Specific Conductivity	-0.008015
DMn_x_TMn	-6.580524
SpCon_x_Sulf	0.0000479
ln(Dissolved Iron)	0.3136359
ln(pH)	3.7870798
ln(Alkalinity)	-0.614746
ln(Total Iron)	-0.44285
sq(Acidity)	0.0007655
sq(Total Dissolved Solids)	-0.000006
sq(Sulfates)	-0.000081

Shredder to Total Ratio Parameter Estimates

<i>Term</i>	<i>Estimate</i>
Intercept	0.8285998
Month	-0.015889
Acidity to pH 8.3	-0.134547
ln(Dissolved Iron)	-0.021378
ln(Acidity)	0.4274578
ln(Total Manganese)	0.0312523
ln(Sulfates)	-0.045126
sq(Dissolved Manganese)	0.1972864
sq(Acidity)	0.0023131
sq(Total Manganese)	-0.291692
sq(Total Dissolved Solids)	-0.000002
sq(Sulfates)	0.0000037
sq(Specific Conductivity)	0.0000005

Scraper to Filtering Collector Ratio Parameter Estimates

<i>Term</i>	<i>Estimate</i>
Intercept	8.272113
Month	0.2568627
ln(Dissolved Iron)	1.733208
ln(Alkalinity)	3.145759
ln(Total Manganese)	-1.655095
ln(Total Dissolved Solids)	-2.641021
sq(Dissolved Iron)	-0.476391
sq(pH)	-0.162633
sq(Total Iron)	0.0177234
sq(Total Manganese)	3.5523587
sq(Total Manganese)	3.8790984

Percent Contribution from Dominant Family Parameter Estimates

<i>Term</i>	<i>Estimate</i>
Intercept	-18.22455
Month	0.0137639
Total Suspended Solids	-0.019348
Total Dissolved Solids	0.0019454
Sulf_x_TMn	-0.006401
Sulf_x_TDS	-0.000015
SpCon_x_Sulf	0.000009
ln(pH)	13.056715
ln(Specific Conductivity)	-0.27514
sq(Dissolved Iron)	0.0086586
sq(pH)	-0.117994
sq(Acidity)	0.0001405
sq(Total Iron)	-0.002338
sq(Total Manganese)	0.8000025
sq(Total Suspended Solids)	0.0009784
sq(Sulfates)	0.0000136

APPENDIX: B

**BENTHIC REFERENCE STATIONS IN THE
COALFIELD REGION OF VIRGINIA**

Table B.1 Benthic reference stations in the coalfield region of Virginia, and sample dates available for inclusion in the variability analysis reported in Section 2.1. (Part 1 of 2)

Station ID	Waterbody	County	Dates Sampled
BAI000.26	Bailey's Trace	Lee	9/22/99
BCD001.84	Big Cedar Creek	Russell	12/6/95
	Big Cedar Creek	Russell	6/3/97
	Big Cedar Creek	Russell	6/12/00
BCE111.11	Big Cedar Creek	Russell	5/8/95
BMC004.36	Big Moccasin Creek	Scott	11/20/97
	Big Moccasin Creek	Scott	5/18/98
CLN203.54	Clinch River	Scott	10/22/96
	Clinch River	Scott	6/9/99
	Clinch River	Scott	10/26/99
DIS017.94	Dismal Creek	Buchanan	4/4/96
	Dismal Creek	Buchanan	4/4/96
	Dismal Creek	Buchanan	11/12/97
	Dismal Creek	Buchanan	6/8/00
DIS111.11	Dismal Creek	Buchanan	12/8/94
DRK036.38	Dry Fork	Tazewell	4/24/96
DRY111.11	Dry Fork	Tazewell	11/14/94
FRY002.25	Fryingpan Creek	Buchanan	6/19/96
IDI000.55	Indian Creek	Tazewell	5/21/96
IDI003.67	Indian Creek	Tazewell	10/30/97
KBL007.24	Kimberling Creek	Bland	4/28/98
	Kimberling Creek	Bland	6/21/00
LAC000.92	Laurel Creek	Bland	5/19/98
	Laurel Creek	Bland	11/9/98
	Laurel Creek	Bland	5/12/99
	Laurel Creek	Bland	10/28/99
	Laurel Creek	Bland	6/1/00

Table B.1 Benthic reference stations in the coalfield region of Virginia, and sample dates available for inclusion in the variability analysis reported in Section 2.1. (Part 2 of 2)

Station ID	Waterbody	County	Dates Sampled
LEV130.29	Levisa Fork	Buchanan	6/23/99
	Levisa Fork	Buchanan	6/23/99
	Levisa Fork	Buchanan	6/8/00
	Levisa Fork	Buchanan	6/8/00
LEV143.80	Levisa Fork	Buchanan	11/18/98
MCR000.20	McClure River	Dickenson	12/7/94
MCR000.55	McClure River	Dickenson	10/13/99
MTN003.56	Martin Creek	Lee	4/15/97
NFH007.78	N. F. Holston	Scott	10/15/97
PLL001.11	S.F. Powell	Wise	8/31/98
PLL002.55	S.F. Powell	Wise	11/20/97
PLL006.50	S.F. Powell	Wise	8/31/98
	S.F. Powell	Wise	9/8/99
POW120.12	Powell River	Lee	6/15/00
RSS034.53	Russell Fork	Dickenson	4/11/96
SFH074.54	S.F. Holston River	Washington	9/24/98
SFH111.11	S.F. Holston River	Washington	12/1/94
SNK001.03	Sinking Creek	Scott	12/14/95
SNY000.23	Stoney Creek	Scott	12/14/95
	Stoney Creek	Scott	5/8/97
	Stoney Creek	Scott	4/20/99
STN111.11	Stoney Creek	Scott	3/28/95
WAL001.57	Wallen Creek	Lee	6/18/98
WFC019.04	Wolf Creek	Bland	11/9/98
	Wolf Creek	Bland	5/12/99
	Wolf Creek	Bland	10/28/99
WFC034.82	Wolf Creek	Bland	5/24/96
	Wolf Creek	Bland	10/25/96
WLF111.11	Wolf Creek	Bland	10/4/94
WLK050.85	Walker Creek	Bland	11/8/99
	Walker Creek	Bland	6/1/00

APPENDIX: C

PERMITTED POINT SOURCES IN THE DUMPS CREEK WATERSHED

Seventy-four point sources were permitted for discharge in the Dumps Creek watershed (Table C.1) during the timeframe of this study. Concentration limits are set for each of these discharges based on best available technology and control pH, total suspended solids, iron, and manganese. The pH must be maintained between 6.0 and 9.0. The remaining controlled pollutants must be held below the limits expressed in Table C.2.

Table C.1 Permitted discharges in the Dumps Creek watershed (Part 1 of 2).

MapTech ID	MPID	Company ID	Permit #	Operation Type	Source	Dates
1	3982437	1	1100988	Surface Mine	Runoff	No Flow
2	3970178	C	1101398	Surface Mine	Runoff	1/95—4/02
3	0002608	A	1101607	Surface Mine	Runoff	10/97—9/02
4	0002609	B	1101607	Surface Mine	Runoff	11/97—9/02
5	0002612	C	1101607	Surface Mine	Runoff	11/97—9/02
6	0002613	D	1101607	Surface Mine	Runoff	4/98—9/02
7	0003251	A	1101681	Surface Mine	Runoff	7/99—9/02
8	0003252	B	1101681	Surface Mine	Runoff	8/99—9/02
9	0003253	C	1101681	Surface Mine	Runoff	8/00—9/02
10	0003258	C-1	1101681	Surface Mine	Runoff	No Flow
11	0003259	C-2	1101681	Surface Mine	Runoff	No Flow
12	0003260	C-3	1101681	Surface Mine	Runoff	No Flow
13	0003261	C-4	1101681	Surface Mine	Runoff	No Flow
14	0003254	D	1101681	Surface Mine	Runoff	No Flow
15	0003255	E	1101681	Surface Mine	Runoff	No Flow
16	0003256	F	1101681	Surface Mine	Runoff	No Flow
17	0003257	G	1101681	Surface Mine	Runoff	No Flow
18	0003905	1	1101758	Surface Mine	Runoff	12/00—9/02
19	0003906	1A	1101758	Surface Mine	Runoff	7/01—9/02
20	0003907	3	1101758	Surface Mine	Runoff	1/01—9/02
21	0001178	4(R)	1101758	Surface Mine	Runoff	1/95—9/02
22	0003908	5	1101758	Surface Mine	Runoff	No Flow
23	0003909	6	1101758	Surface Mine	Runoff	No Flow
24	3982945	004-D	1200071	Deep Mine	Runoff	No Flow
25	3982946	005-D	1200071	Deep Mine	Runoff	1/95—6/02
26	3983285	001	1200255	Deep Mine	Runoff	1/95—9/02
27	3983287	004-D	1200255	Deep Mine	Runoff	No Flow
28	3983288	005-D	1200255	Deep Mine	Runoff	No Flow
29	3983290	007-D	1200255	Deep Mine	Runoff	No Flow
30	3983292	009-D	1200255	Deep Mine	Runoff	No Flow
31	3983539	002	1200363	Deep Mine	Mine Discharge	No Flow
32	3983540	003-D	1200363	Deep Mine	Runoff	1/95—9/02
33	3983541	004-D	1200363	Deep Mine	Runoff	No Flow
34	3983542	005-D	1200363	Deep Mine	Runoff	No Flow
35	5183655	001	1200483	Deep Mine	Mine Discharge	1/95—9/02
36	5183658	006	1200483	Deep Mine	Runoff	1/95—9/02
37	5183659	009-D	1200483	Deep Mine	Runoff	No Flow
38	5183660	011-D	1200483	Deep Mine	Runoff	1/95—9/02

Table C.1 Permitted discharges in the Dumps Creek watershed (Part 2 of 2).

MapTech ID	MPID	Company ID	Permit #	Operation Type	Source	Dates
39	5470215	012	1200483	Deep Mine	Mine Discharge	1/95—9/02
40	5183662	016-D	1200483	Deep Mine	Commingled	1/95—9/02
41	5170001	001	1201132	Deep Mine	Runoff	1/95—9/02
42	5170002	002	1201132	Deep Mine	Commingled	1/95—9/02
43	3985032	016	1201132	Deep Mine	Runoff	No Flow
44	3970127	001	1201309	Deep Mine	Runoff	No Flow
45	0003867	002	1201309	Deep Mine	Mine Discharge	8/00—9/02
46	0004081	001	1201359	Deep Mine	Runoff	No Flow
47	3970218	001	1201399	Deep Mine	Commingled	1/95—6/02
48	3985028	001	1300480	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
49	3985030	007	1300480	Mixed Use	Mine Discharge	1/95—12/00
50	3985031	015	1300480	Mixed Use	Mine Discharge	No Flow
51	3985033	017	1300480	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
52	3985034	018	1300480	Mixed Use	Runoff	No Flow
53	3985035	019	1300480	Mixed Use	Runoff	No Flow
54	3970043	022	1300480	Mixed Use	Runoff	No Flow
55	3985044	001	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
56	3985045	002	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
57	3985046	003	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
58	3985047	004	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
59	3985048	005	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
60	3985049	008	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
61	3970105	009	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	Not Const.
62	3985050	010	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
63	3985051	011	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
64	3985052	012	1300481	Mixed Use	Mine Discharge	1/95—9/02
65	3985053	013	1300481	Mixed Use	Mine Discharge	1/95—9/02
66	3985054	014	1300481	Mixed Use	Mine Discharge	1/95—9/02
67	3985055	015	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
68	3985056	016	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
69	3985057	017	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	No Flow
70	3985058	018	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	No Flow
71	3985059	019	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	1/95—9/02
72	3985060	020	1300481	Mixed Use	Runoff	No Flow
73	3985220	001	1300860	Mixed Use	Runoff	No Flow
74	0000984	002	1101478	Surface Mine	Runoff	1/95—3/02

Table C.2 Maximum concentrations allowed in permitted discharges, based on best available technology.

Daily Average (mg/l)			Daily Maximum (mg/l)		
TSS	Iron	Manganese	TSS	Iron	Manganese
35	3.0	2.0	70	6.0	4.0

GLOSSARY

Note: Endnotes indicate the source of definition where appropriate.

303(d). A section of the Clean Water Act of 1972 requiring states to identify and list water bodies that do not meet the states' water quality standards.

Acid mine drainage. Acidic run-off water from mine waste dumps and mill tailings ponds containing sulphide minerals. Also refers to ground water pumped to surface from mines.

Allocations. That portion of a receiving water's loading capacity attributed to one of its existing or future pollution sources (nonpoint or point) or to natural background sources. (A wasteload allocation [WLA] is that portion of the loading capacity allocated to an existing or future point source, and a load allocation [LA] is that portion allocated to an existing or future nonpoint source or to natural background levels. Load allocations are best estimates of the loading, which can range from reasonably accurate estimates to gross allotments, depending on the availability of data and appropriate techniques for predicting loading.) (1)

Ambient water quality. Natural concentration of water quality constituents prior to mixing of either point or nonpoint source load of contaminants. Reference ambient concentration is used to indicate the concentration of a chemical that will not cause adverse impact on human health. (1)

Anthropogenic. Pertains to the [environmental] influence of human activities. (1)

Antidegradation Policies. Policies that are part of each states water quality standards. These policies are designed to protect water quality and provide a method of assessing activities that might affect the integrity of waterbodies. (1)

Aquatic ecosystem. Complex of biotic and abiotic components of natural waters. The aquatic ecosystem is an ecological unit that includes the physical characteristics (such as flow or velocity and depth), the biological community of the water column and benthos, and the chemical characteristics such as dissolved solids, dissolved oxygen, and nutrients. Both living and nonliving components of the aquatic ecosystem interact and influence the properties and status of each component. (1)

Assimilative capacity. The amount of contaminant load that can be discharged to a specific waterbody without exceeding water quality standards or criteria. Assimilative capacity is used to define the ability of a waterbody to naturally absorb and use a discharged substance without impairing water quality or harming aquatic life. (1)

Background levels. Levels representing the chemical, physical, and biological conditions that would result from natural geomorphological processes such as weathering or dissolution. (1)

Bacterial decomposition. Breakdown by oxidation, or decay, of organic matter by heterotrophic bacteria. Bacteria use the organic carbon in organic matter as the energy source for cell synthesis. (1)

Bench. One of two or more divisions of a coal seam separated by slate or formed by the process of cutting the coal.

Benthic. Refers to material, especially sediment, at the bottom of an aquatic ecosystem. It can be used to describe the organisms that live on, or in, the bottom of a waterbody. (1)

Benthic organisms. Organisms living in, or on, bottom substrates in aquatic ecosystems.(1)

Best management practices (BMPs). Methods, measures, or practices determined to be reasonable and cost-effective means for a landowner to meet certain, generally nonpoint source, pollution control needs. BMPs include structural and nonstructural controls and operation and maintenance procedures. (1).

Bioassessment. Evaluation of the condition of an ecosystem that uses biological surveys and other direct measurements of the resident biota. (2)

Biometric. (Biological Metric) The study of biological phenomena by measurements and statistics.

Box and whisker plot. A graphical representation of the mean, lower quartile, upper quartile, upper limit, lower limit, and outliers of a data set.

Calibration. The process of adjusting model parameters within physically defensible ranges until the resulting predictions give a best possible good fit to observed data. (1)

Causal analysis. A process in which data and other information are organized and evaluated using quantitative and logical techniques to determine the likely cause of an observed condition. (2)

Causal association. A correlation or other association between measures or observations of two entities or processes which occurs because of an underlying causal relationship. (2)

Causal mechanism. The process by which a cause induces an effect. (2)

Causal relationship. The relationship between a cause and its effect. (2)

Cause. 1. That which produces an effect (a general definition).
2. A stressor or set of stressors that occur at an intensity, duration and frequency of exposure that results in a change in the ecological condition (a SI-specific definition). (2)

Channel. A natural stream that conveys water; a ditch or channel excavated for the flow of water. (1)

Chloride. An atom of chlorine in solution; an ion bearing a single negative charge. (1)

Clean Water Act (CWA). The Clean Water Act (formerly referred to as the Federal Water Pollution Control Act or Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972), Public Law 92-500, as amended by Public Law 96-483 and Public Law 97-117, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq. The Clean Water Act (CWA) contains a number of provisions to restore and maintain the quality of the nation's water resources. One of these provisions is Section 303(d), which establishes the TMDL program. (1)

Coefficient of determination. Represents the proportion of the total sample variability around y that is explained by the linear relationship between y and x . (In simple linear regression, it may also be computed as the square of the coefficient of correlation r .) (3)

Concentration. Amount of a substance or material in a given unit volume of solution; usually measured in milligrams per liter (mg/L) or parts per million (ppm). (1)

Concentration-based limit. A limit based on the relative strength of a pollutant in a waste stream, usually expressed in milligrams per liter (mg/L). (1)

Concentration-response model. A quantitative (usually statistical) model of the relationship between the concentration of a chemical to which a population or community of organisms is exposed and the frequency or magnitude of a biological response. (2)

Confluence. The point at which a river and its tributary flow together.

Contamination. The act of polluting or making impure; any indication of chemical, sediment, or biological impurities. (1)

Continuous discharge. A discharge that occurs without interruption throughout the operating hours of a facility, except for infrequent shutdowns for maintenance, process changes, or other similar activities. (1)

Conventional pollutants. As specified under the Clean Water Act, conventional contaminants include suspended solids, coliform bacteria, high biochemical oxygen demand, pH, and oil and grease. (1)

Conveyance. A measure of the of the water carrying capacity of a channel section. It is directly proportional to the discharge in the channel section.

Cost-share program. A program that allocates project funds to pay a percentage of the cost of constructing or implementing a best management practice. The remainder of the costs are paid by the producer (s). (1)

Cross-sectional area. Wet area of a waterbody normal to the longitudinal component of the flow. (1)

Critical condition. The critical condition can be thought of as the "worst case" scenario of environmental conditions in the waterbody in which the loading expressed in the TMDL for the pollutant of concern will continue to meet water quality standards. Critical conditions are the combination of environmental factors (e.g., flow, temperature, etc.) that results in attaining and maintaining the water quality criterion and has an acceptably low frequency of occurrence. (1)

Decay. The gradual decrease in the amount of a given substance in a given system due to various sink processes including chemical and biological transformation, dissipation to other environmental media, or deposition into storage areas. (1)

Decomposition. Metabolic breakdown of organic materials; the formation of by-products of decomposition releases energy and simple organic and inorganic compounds. (1)

Designated uses. Those uses specified in water quality standards for each waterbody or segment whether or not they are being attained. (1)

Deterministic model. A model that does not include built-in variability: same input will always result in the same output. (1)

Dilution. The addition of some quantity of less-concentrated liquid (water) that results in a decrease in the original concentration. (1)

Direct runoff. Water that flows over the ground surface or through the ground directly into streams, rivers, and lakes. (1)

Discharge. Flow of surface water in a stream or canal, or the outflow of groundwater from a flowing artesian well, ditch, or spring. Can also apply to discharge of liquid effluent from a facility or to chemical emissions into the air through designated venting mechanisms. (1)

Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR). Report of effluent characteristics submitted by a municipal or industrial facility that has been granted an NPDES discharge permit. (1)

Discharge permits (under NPDES). A permit issued by the U.S. EPA or a state regulatory agency that sets specific limits on the type and amount of pollutants that a municipality or industry can discharge to a receiving water; it also includes a compliance schedule for achieving those limits. The permit process was established under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, under provisions of the Federal Clean Water Act. (1)

Dispersion. The spreading of chemical or biological constituents, including pollutants, in various directions at varying velocities depending on the differential in-stream flow characteristics. (1)

Diurnal. Actions or processes that have a period or a cycle of approximately one tidal-day or are completed within a 24-hour period and that recur every 24 hours. Also, the occurrence of an activity/process during the day rather than the night. (1)

DNA. Deoxyribonucleic acid. The genetic material of cells and some viruses.

Drainage basin. A part of a land area enclosed by a topographic divide from which direct surface runoff from precipitation normally drains by gravity into a receiving water. Also referred to as a watershed, river basin, or hydrologic unit. (1)

Dynamic model. A mathematical formulation describing and simulating the physical behavior of a system or a process and its temporal variability. (1)

Dynamic simulation. Modeling of the behavior of physical, chemical, and/or biological phenomena and their variations over time. (1)

Ecosystem. An interactive system that includes the organisms of a natural community association together with their abiotic physical, chemical, and geochemical environment. (1)

Effluent. Municipal sewage or industrial liquid waste (untreated, partially treated, or completely treated) that flows out of a treatment plant, septic system, pipe, etc. (1)

Effluent guidelines. The national effluent guidelines and standards specify the achievable effluent pollutant reduction that is attainable based upon the performance of treatment technologies employed within an industrial category. The National Effluent Guidelines Program was established with a phased approach whereby industry would first be required to meet interim limitations based on best practicable control technology currently available for existing sources (BPT). The second level of effluent limitations to be attained by industry was referred to as best available technology economically achievable (BAT), which was established primarily for the control of toxic pollutants. (1)

Effluent limitation. Restrictions established by a state or EPA on quantities, rates, and concentrations in pollutant discharges. (1)

Empirical model. Use of statistical techniques to discern patterns or relationships underlying observed or measured data for large sample sets. Does not account for physical dynamics of waterbodies. (1)

Endpoint. An endpoint (or indicator/target) is a characteristic of an ecosystem that may be affected by exposure to a stressor. Assessment endpoints and measurement endpoints are two distinct types of endpoints commonly used by resource managers. An assessment

endpoint is the formal expression of a valued environmental characteristic and should have societal relevance (an indicator). A measurement endpoint is the expression of an observed or measured response to a stress or disturbance. It is a measurable environmental characteristic that is related to the valued environmental characteristic chosen as the assessment endpoint. The numeric criteria that are part of traditional water quality standards are good examples of measurement endpoints (targets). (1)

Enhancement. In the context of restoration ecology, any improvement of a structural or functional attribute. (1)

Evapotranspiration. The combined effects of evaporation and transpiration on the water balance. Evaporation is water loss into the atmosphere from soil and water surfaces. Transpiration is water loss into the atmosphere as part of the life cycle of plants.

Existing use. Use actually attained in the waterbody on or after November 28, 1975, whether or not it is included in the water quality standards (40 CFR 131.3). (1)

Fate of pollutants. Physical, chemical, and biological transformation in the nature and changes of the amount of a pollutant in an environmental system. Transformation processes are pollutant-specific. Because they have comparable kinetics, different formulations for each pollutant are not required. (1)

First-order kinetics. The type of relationship describing a dynamic reaction in which the rate of transformation of a pollutant is proportional to the amount of that pollutant in the environmental system. (1)

Flux. Movement and transport of mass of any water quality constituent over a given period of time. Units of mass flux are mass per unit time. (1)

General Standard. A narrative standard that ensures the general health of state waters. All state waters, including wetlands, shall be free from substances attributable to sewage, industrial waste, or other waste in concentrations, amounts, or combinations which contravene established standards or interfere directly or indirectly with designated uses of such water or which are inimical or harmful to human, animal, plant, or aquatic life (9VAC25-260-20). (4)

Geometric mean. A measure of the central tendency of a data set that minimizes the effects of extreme values.

GIS. Geographic Information System. A system of hardware, software, data, people, organizations and institutional arrangements for collecting, storing, analyzing and disseminating information about areas of the earth. (Dueker and Kjerne, 1989)

Gob Pile. The term applied to that part of the mine from which the coal has been removed and the space more or less filled up with waste. Also, the loose waste in a mine. Also called goaf.

Ground water. The supply of fresh water found beneath the earth's surface, usually in aquifers, which supply wells and springs. Because ground water is a major source of drinking water, there is growing concern over contamination from leaching agricultural or industrial pollutants and leaking underground storage tanks. (1)

HSPF. Hydrological Simulation Program – Fortran. A computer simulation tool used to mathematically model nonpoint source pollution sources and movement of pollutants in a watershed.

Hydrograph. A graph showing variation of stage (depth) or discharge in a stream over a period of time. (1)

Hydrologic cycle. The circuit of water movement from the atmosphere to the earth and its return to the atmosphere through various stages or processes, such as precipitation, interception, runoff, infiltration, storage, evaporation, and transpiration. (1)

Hydrology. The study of the distribution, properties, and effects of water on the earth's surface, in the soil and underlying rocks, and in the atmosphere. (1)

Hyetograph. Graph of rainfall rate versus time during a storm event. (1)

Impairment. A detrimental effect on the biological integrity of a water body that prevents attainment of the designated use. (2)

IMPLND. An impervious land segment in HSPF. It is used to model land covered by impervious materials, such as pavement.

Indicator. A measurable quantity that can be used to evaluate the relationship between pollutant sources and their impact on water quality. (1)

Indicator organism. An organism used to indicate the potential presence of other (usually pathogenic) organisms. Indicator organisms are usually associated with the other organisms, but are usually more easily sampled and measured. (1)

Indirect causation. The induction of effects through a series of cause-effect relationships, so that the impaired resource may not even be exposed to the initial cause. (2)

Indirect effects. Changes in a resource that are due to a series of cause-effect relationships rather than to direct exposure to a contaminant or other stressor. (2)

Infiltration capacity. The capacity of a soil to allow water to infiltrate into or through it during a storm. (1)

In situ. In place; in situ measurements consist of measurements of components or processes in a full-scale system or a field, rather than in a laboratory. (1)

Interflow. Runoff which travels just below the surface of the soil.

Isolate. An inbreeding biological population that is isolated from similar populations by physical or other means.

Leachate. Water that collects contaminants as it percolates through contaminated soil, mine wastes, and landfills. Leaching can result in hazardous substances being delivered to surface water, ground water, or soil.

Limits (upper and lower). The lower limit equals the lower quartile – 1.5x(upper quartile – lower quartile), and the upper limit equals the upper quartile + 1.5x(upper quartile – lower quartile). Values outside these limits are referred to as outliers.

Loading, Load, Loading rate. The total amount of material (pollutants) entering the system from one or multiple sources; measured as a rate in weight per unit time. (1)

Load allocation (LA). The portion of a receiving waters loading capacity attributed either to one of its existing or future nonpoint sources of pollution or to natural background sources. Load allocations are best estimates of the loading, which can range from reasonably accurate estimates to gross allotments, depending on the availability of data and appropriate techniques for predicting the loading. Wherever possible, natural and nonpoint source loads should be distinguished. (40 CFR 130.2(g)) (1)

Loading capacity (LC). The greatest amount of loading a waterbody can receive without violating water quality standards. (1)

Margin of safety (MOS). A required component of the TMDL that accounts for the uncertainty about the relationship between the pollutant loads and the quality of the receiving waterbody (CWA Section 303(d)(1)(C)). The MOS is normally incorporated into the conservative assumptions used to develop TMDLs (generally within the calculations or models) and approved by EPA either individually or in state/EPA agreements. If the MOS needs to be larger than that which is allowed through the conservative assumptions, additional MOS can be added as a separate component of the TMDL (in this case, quantitatively, a $TMDL = LC = WLA + LA + MOS$). (1)

Mass balance. An equation that accounts for the flux of mass going into a defined area and the flux of mass leaving the defined area. The flux in must equal the flux out. (1)

Mass loading. The quantity of a pollutant transported to a waterbody. (1)

Mathematical model. A system of mathematical expressions that describe the spatial and temporal distribution of water quality constituents resulting from fluid transport and the one or more individual processes and interactions within some prototype aquatic ecosystem. A mathematical water quality model is used as the basis for waste load allocation evaluations. (1)

Mean. The sum of the values in a data set divided by the number of values in the data set.

MGD. Million gallons per day. A unit of water flow, whether discharge or withdraw.

Mine Tailings. Discarded low-grade ore or waste materials that are found accumulated into piles, next to or downhill from tunnel or up shaft openings; mine dumps or waste debris.

Mine Spoils. Earth and rock overburden which is excavated during mining operations.

Mitigation. Actions taken to avoid, reduce, or compensate for the effects of environmental damage. Among the broad spectrum of possible actions are those which restore, enhance, create, or replace damaged ecosystems. (1)

Monitoring. Periodic or continuous surveillance or testing to determine the level of compliance with statutory requirements and/or pollutant levels in various media or in humans, plants, and animals. (1)

Mood's median test. A nonparametric (distribution-free) test used to test the equality of medians from two or more populations. (MINITAB, 1995)

Multivariate Regression. A functional relationship between 1 dependent variable and multiple independent variables that are often empirically determined from data and are used especially to predict values of one variable when given values of the others.

Narrative criteria. Nonquantitative guidelines that describe the desired water quality goals. (1)

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). The national program for issuing, modifying, revoking and reissuing, terminating, monitoring, and enforcing permits, and imposing and enforcing pretreatment requirements, under Sections 307, 402, 318, and 405 of the Clean Water Act. (1)

Natural waters. Flowing water within a physical system that has developed without human intervention, in which natural processes continue to take place. (1)

Nonpoint source. Pollution that originates from multiple sources over a relatively large area. Nonpoint sources are diffuse, hydrologically driven pollution sources. They can be divided into source activities related to either land or water use including mining practices, forest practices, and urban and rural runoff.

Numeric targets. A measurable value determined for the pollutant of concern which, if achieved, is expected to result in the attainment of water quality standards in the listed waterbody. (1)

Numerical model. Model that approximates a solution of governing partial differential equations which describe a natural process. The approximation uses a numerical discretization of the space and time components of the system or process. (1)

Organic matter. The organic fraction that includes plant and animal residue at various stages of decomposition, cells and tissues of soil organisms, and substances synthesized by the soil population. Commonly determined as the amount of organic material contained in a soil or water sample. (1)

Parameter. A numerical descriptive measure of a population. Since it is based on the observations of the population, its value is almost always unknown.

Peak runoff. The highest value of the stage or discharge attained by a flood or storm event; also referred to as flood peak or peak discharge. (1)

PERLND. A pervious land segment in HSPF. It is used to model a particular land use segment within a subwatershed (e.g. pasture, urban land, or crop land).

Permit. An authorization, license, or equivalent control document issued by EPA or an approved federal, state, or local agency to implement the requirements of an environmental regulation; e.g., a permit to operate a wastewater treatment plant or to operate a facility that may generate harmful emissions. (1)

Permit Compliance System (PCS). Computerized management information system that contains data on NPDES permit-holding facilities. PCS keeps extensive records on more than 65,000 active water-discharge permits on sites located throughout the nation. PCS tracks permit, compliance, and enforcement status of NPDES facilities. (1)

Phased/Staged approach. Under the staged approach to TMDL development, load allocations and wasteload allocations are calculated using the best available data and information recognizing the need for additional monitoring data to accurately characterize sources and loadings. The staged approach is typically employed when nonpoint sources dominate. It provides for the implementation of load reduction strategies while collecting additional data. (1)

Point source. Any conveyance such as a ditch, tunnel, conduit, or pipe from which pollutants are discharged. Point sources have a single point of entry with a direct path to a waterbody. Point sources can also include pollutant loads contributed by tributaries to the main receiving water stream or river. (1)

Pollutant. Dredged spoil, solid waste, incinerator residue, sewage, garbage, sewage sludge, munitions, chemical wastes, biological materials, radioactive materials, heat, wrecked or discarded equipment, rock, sand, cellar dirt, and industrial, municipal, and agricultural waste discharged into water. (CWA Section 502(6)). (1)

Pollution. Generally, the presence of matter or energy whose nature, location, or quantity produces undesired environmental effects. Under the Clean Water Act, for example, the term is defined as the man-made or man-induced alteration of the physical, biological, chemical, and radiological integrity of water. (1)

Postaudit. A subsequent examination and verification of a model's predictive performance following implementation of an environmental control program. (1)

Privately owned treatment works. Any device or system that is (a) used to treat wastes from any facility whose operator is not the operator of the treatment works and (b) not a publicly owned treatment works. (1)

Public comment period. The time allowed for the public to express its views and concerns regarding action by EPA or states (e.g., a *Federal Register* notice of a proposed rule-making, a public notice of a draft permit, or a Notice of Intent to Deny). (1)

Publicly owned treatment works (POTW). Any device or system used in the treatment (including recycling and reclamation) of municipal sewage or industrial wastes of a liquid nature that is owned by a state or municipality. This definition includes sewers, pipes, or other conveyances only if they convey wastewater to a POTW providing treatment. (1)

Quartile. The 25th, 50th, and 75th percentiles of a data set. A percentile (p) of a data set ordered by magnitude is the value that has at most p% of the measurements in the data set below it, and (100-p)% above it. The 50th quartile is also known as the median. The 25th and 75th quartiles are referred to as the lower and upper quartiles, respectively.

Receiving waters. Creeks, streams, rivers, lakes, estuaries, ground-water formations, or other bodies of water into which surface water and/or treated or untreated waste are discharged, either naturally or in man-made systems. (1)

Re-mining. Extracting resources from land previously mined. This method is often used to reclaim abandoned mine areas.

Reserve capacity. Pollutant loading rate set aside in determining stream waste load allocation, accounting for uncertainty and future growth. (1)

Residence time. Length of time that a pollutant remains within a section of a stream or river. The residence time is determined by the streamflow and the volume of the river reach or the average stream velocity and the length of the river reach. (1)

Restoration. Return of an ecosystem to a close approximation of its presumed condition prior to disturbance. (1)

Riparian areas. Areas bordering streams, lakes, rivers, and other watercourses. These areas have high water tables and support plants that require saturated soils during all or part of the year. Riparian areas include both wetland and upland zones. (1)

Riparian zone. The border or banks of a stream. Although this term is sometimes used interchangeably with floodplain, the riparian zone is generally regarded as relatively narrow compared to a floodplain. The duration of flooding is generally much shorter, and the timing less predictable, in a riparian zone than in a river floodplain. (1)

Roughness coefficient. A factor in velocity and discharge formulas representing the effects of channel roughness on energy losses in flowing water. Manning's "n" is a commonly used roughness coefficient. (1)

Runoff. That part of precipitation, snowmelt, or irrigation water that runs off the land into streams or other surface water. It can carry pollutants from the air and land into receiving waters. (1)

Seasonal Kendall test. A statistical tool used to test for trends in data, which is unaffected by seasonal cycles. (Gilbert, 1987)

Sewer. A channel or conduit that carries wastewater and storm water runoff from the source to a treatment plant or receiving stream. Sanitary sewers carry household, industrial, and commercial waste. Storm sewers carry runoff from rain or snow. Combined sewers handle both. (1)

Simulation. The use of mathematical models to approximate the observed behavior of a natural water system in response to a specific known set of input and forcing conditions. Models that have been validated, or verified, are then used to predict the response of a natural water system to changes in the input or forcing conditions. (1)

Slope. The degree of inclination to the horizontal. Usually expressed as a ratio, such as 1:25 or 1 on 25, indicating one unit vertical rise in 25 units of horizontal distance, or in a decimal fraction (0.04), degrees (2 degrees 18 minutes), or percent (4 percent). (1)

Source. An origination point, area, or entity that releases or emits a stressor. A source can alter the normal intensity, frequency, or duration of a natural attribute, whereby the attribute then becomes a stressor. (2)

Spatial segmentation. A numerical discretization of the spatial component of a system into one or more dimensions; forms the basis for application of numerical simulation models. (1)

Stakeholder. Any person with a vested interest in the TMDL development.

Standard deviation. A measure of the variability of a data set. The positive square root of the variance of a set of measurements.

Standard error. The standard deviation of a distribution of a sample statistic, esp. when the mean is used as the statistic.

Statistical significance. An indication that the differences being observed are not due to random error. The p-value indicates the probability that the differences are due to random error (*i.e.*, a low p-value indicates statistical significance).

Steady-state model. Mathematical model of fate and transport that uses constant values of input variables to predict constant values of receiving water quality concentrations. Model variables are treated as not changing with respect to time. (1)

Stepwise regression. All possible one-variable models of the form $E(y) = B_0 + B_1 x_1$ are fit and the “best” x_1 is selected based on the t -test for B_1 . Next, two-variable models of the form $E(y) = B_0 + B_1 x_1 + B_2 x_i$ are fit (where x_i is the variable selected in the first step): the “second best” x_i is selected based on the test for B_2 . The process continues in this fashion until no more “important” x ’s can be added to the model. (3)

Storm runoff. Storm water runoff, snowmelt runoff, and surface runoff and drainage; rainfall that does not evaporate or infiltrate the ground because of impervious land surfaces or a soil infiltration rate lower than rainfall intensity, but instead flows onto adjacent land or into waterbodies or is routed into a drain or sewer system. (1)

Streamflow. Discharge that occurs in a natural channel. Although the term “discharge” can be applied to the flow of a canal, the word “streamflow” uniquely describes the discharge in a surface stream course. The term “streamflow” is more general than “runoff” since streamflow may be applied to discharge whether or not it is affected by diversion or regulation. (1)

Stream Reach. A straight portion of a stream.

Stream restoration. Various techniques used to replicate the hydrological, morphological, and ecological features that have been lost in a stream because of urbanization, farming, or other disturbance. (1)

Stressor. Any physical, chemical, or biological entity that can induce an adverse response. (2)

Surface area. The area of the surface of a waterbody; best measured by planimetry or the use of a geographic information system. (1)

Surface runoff. Precipitation, snowmelt, or irrigation water in excess of what can infiltrate the soil surface and be stored in small surface depressions; a major transporter of nonpoint source pollutants. (1)

Surface water. All water naturally open to the atmosphere (rivers, lakes, reservoirs, ponds, streams, impoundments, seas, estuaries, etc.) and all springs, wells, or other collectors directly influenced by surface water. (1)

Technology-based standards. Effluent limitations applicable to direct and indirect sources that are developed on a category-by-category basis using statutory factors, not including water quality effects. (1)

Timestep. An increment of time in modeling terms. The smallest unit of time used in a mathematical simulation model (e.g. 15-minutes, 1-hour, 1-day).

Topography. The physical features of a geographic surface area including relative elevations and the positions of natural and man-made features. (1)

Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL). The sum of the individual wasteload allocations (WLAs) for point sources, load allocations (LAs) for nonpoint sources and natural background, plus a margin of safety (MOS). TMDLs can be expressed in terms of mass per time, toxicity, or other appropriate measures that relate to a state's water quality standard. (1)

Transport of pollutants (in water). Transport of pollutants in water involves two main processes: (1) advection, resulting from the flow of water, and (2) dispersion, or transport due to turbulence in the water. (1)

Tributary. A lower order-stream compared to a receiving waterbody. "Tributary to" indicates the largest stream into which the reported stream or tributary flows. (1)

Validation (of a model). Process of determining how well the mathematical model's computer representation describes the actual behavior of the physical processes under investigation. A validated model will have also been tested to ascertain whether it accurately and correctly solves the equations being used to define the system simulation. (1)

Variance. A measure of the variability of a data set. The sum of the squared deviations (observation – mean) divided by (number of observations) – 1.

VADACS. Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

VADCR. Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation.

VADEQ. Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

VADMLR. Virginia Department of Mine Land Reclamation.

VADMME. Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals, and Energy.

VDH. Virginia Department of Health.

Wasteload allocation (WLA). The portion of a receiving waters' loading capacity that is allocated to one of its existing or future point sources of pollution. WLAs constitute a type of water quality-based effluent limitation (40 CFR 130.2(h)). (1)

Wastewater. Usually refers to effluent from a sewage treatment plant. See also **Domestic wastewater**. (1)

Wastewater treatment. Chemical, biological, and mechanical procedures applied to an industrial or municipal discharge or to any other sources of contaminated water to remove, reduce, or neutralize contaminants. (1)

Water quality. The biological, chemical, and physical conditions of a waterbody. It is a measure of a waterbody's ability to support beneficial uses. (1)

Water quality-based effluent limitations (WQBEL). Effluent limitations applied to dischargers when technology-based limitations alone would cause violations of water quality standards. Usually WQBELs are applied to discharges into small streams. (1)

Water quality-based permit. A permit with an effluent limit more stringent than one based on technology performance. Such limits might be necessary to protect the designated use of receiving waters (e.g., recreation, irrigation, industry, or water supply). (1)

Water quality criteria. Levels of water quality expected to render a body of water suitable for its designated use, composed of numeric and narrative criteria. Numeric criteria are scientifically derived ambient concentrations developed by EPA or states for various pollutants of concern to protect human health and aquatic life. Narrative criteria are statements that describe the desired water quality goal. Criteria are based on specific levels of pollutants that would make the water harmful if used for drinking, swimming, farming, fish production, or industrial processes. (1)

Water quality standard. Law or regulation that consists of the beneficial designated use or uses of a waterbody, the numeric and narrative water quality criteria that are necessary to protect the use or uses of that particular waterbody, and an antidegradation statement. (1)

Watershed. A drainage area or basin in which all land and water areas drain or flow toward a central collector such as a stream, river, or lake at a lower elevation. (1)

WQIA. Water Quality Improvement Act.

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